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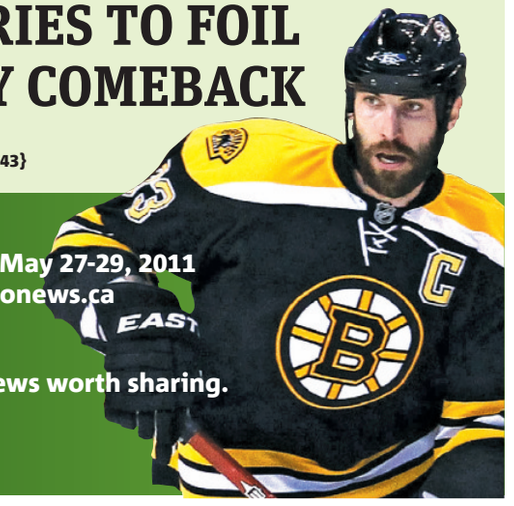

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News worth sharing.

▶ Lacy Peter, co-organizer of Calgary International BeerFest, serves up some fine ale ahead of the festivities getting underway Friday.

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Beer. Fest

Let the drinks flow

The Big Four Building at Stampede Park will likely be rocking this weekend as Calgary International BeerFest serves up 200 different beers from 32 countries, food samplings from 20 different restaurants, live entertainment and screening of NHL playoff hockey on a big screen. The event runs Friday and Saturday. For more information, visit calgarybeerfest.com

Police debt to province rises

▶ In less than two months, over $500,000 in fees for licence plate queries amassed ▶ Service can't cover cost, says commission chair

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The clock is ticking and the burden of a new service fee continues to weigh on those involved with the Calgary Police Service.

Effective April 1, the province announced it would start charging municipalities $15 each time they consulted the provincial licence-plate database.

At the time, city officials said the charge was buried in the provincial budget and came with little warning.

The fee has added $10,000 daily to the cost of doing business at the Calgary Police Service — something it simply can't afford, says the chair of the Calgary Police Commission.

"We have told the city we will need this money," Mike Shaikh said. "I was told, 'Don't worry, it will be fine.' I expected things to be dealt with a month ago but have heard nothing."

Shaikh added that the police service has yet to pay the fee as it awaits any potential resolution.

Ald. John Mar, a former police officer and member of the commission board, has said if the fee stands it could potentially impact the number of officers patrolling Calgary streets.

"We have to be patient ... we can't force the province of Alberta to do anything," Mar said Thursday.

Provincial spokesperson Sharon Lopatka says discussions are ongoing but could not provide a timeline for resolution.

"They (provincial ministers) absolutely understand the concerns and are working as quickly as possible," she said.

Mar is confident a resolution will be found, but said the city will be left with two unsavoury options if forced to cover the fee.

"The very last thing we want to do is cut jobs and the second last thing we want to do is raise taxes as a direct result," he said.

Paying the debt

- **Fee:** Provincial officials have said the fee is necessary to cover rising costs associated with running the provincial licence plate database.
- **Parking tickets:** Earlier this month, Calgary city council voted to raise the cost of parking tickets by $15 to cover nearly $6 million lost annually at the Calgary Parking Authority as a result of the fee.
- **Resolution:** Police chiefs from across Alberta did meet with provincial representatives to address the added fee last month; however, no resolution was found.
- **Manpower:** In early April, Calgary police Chief Rick Hanson said the service would exhaust all options before having to cut manpower, in light of the Service Alberta $15 fee.

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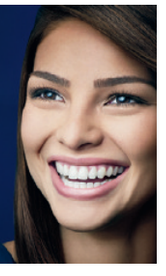

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Jim Flaherty may face some new risks when the recycled federal budget comes down on June 6. Video at metronews.ca

Cars. In the rain

▶ Elise Racette braves the rain on Stephen Avenue Thursday during the ceremonial start for the Rocky Mountain Rally.

KATIE TURNER/METRO

A chance to talk to the rally drivers

Calgarians were given the opportunity to see the cars and meet the drivers of the Rocky Mountain Rally during the lunch hour Thursday.

Drug sweep applauded in Bridgeland

- Operation part of year-long crackdown that has seen nearly 400 arrest warrants issued
- Nearly 30 suspects arrested over a month, with 80 charges laid

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Calgary police have gained some major fans in Bridgeland, as they actively work to address long-standing drug issues in the community.

A second enforcement operation in less than a year was recently completed in the community, netting dozens of suspects and large quantities of narcotics.

"When we're making these arrests, we come out screaming with our vests on ... you can see the residents, they are very easy to find, and they will cheer, literally," said Sgt. Timothy Fitzgibbon. "They will stop, they will clap."

Lorna Murray, owner of Joycee's Caribbean Food and Takeout in Bridgeland, said that while she has not witnessed a criminal act, the area around her store consistently sees a heavy transient population.

"People pass by here a lot, they go to the liquor store," she said. "They haven't approached us, they just kind of hang around."

Murray's store is only open in the daytime, but she has wondered if illegal activity takes place in the area once she closes up at night.

"That's why I think the police presence has been really good," she added.

Police have been actively consulting residents and businesses in the area in hopes of making further progress, Fitzgibbon said.

"We used to see a lot of people around, some of them were drunk and things like that. We would call (police) and they would come. Now, we don't see as much of that."
LORNA MURRAY, OWNER OF JOYCEE'S CARIBBEAN FOOD AND TAKEOUT

"I always like to say to people if you think people are dealing drugs in the house next door, chances are they are," he added.

The latest police sweep was conducted from April 11 to May 19 and saw a range of charges laid, from possession of cocaine and marijuana to robbery and breach of parole.

Officers also executed 135 warrants for outstanding offences and issued more than 80 summonses for social disorder crimes, namely drinking in public.

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Dean skeptical of program

Teachers, students and many parents may be touting the benefits of single-gender classrooms at Calgary's Sacred Heart Elementary School, but an associate dean at the University of Calgary isn't convinced.

Sharon Friesen, with the faculty of education, pointed out that gender-specific learning is not necessarily a new idea and said there is no research indicating it enhances a child's ability to learn.

"When we think that all boys learn in one way and all girls learn another way, what we do is further compartmentalize and stereotype in very specific ways," she said.

"If you're going to go down that road, I think you are treading on some very dangerous categorization about what it is you think all boys and all girls like."

Friesen called the push for gender-specific classroom a "political move," and said the quality of teaching is far more important.

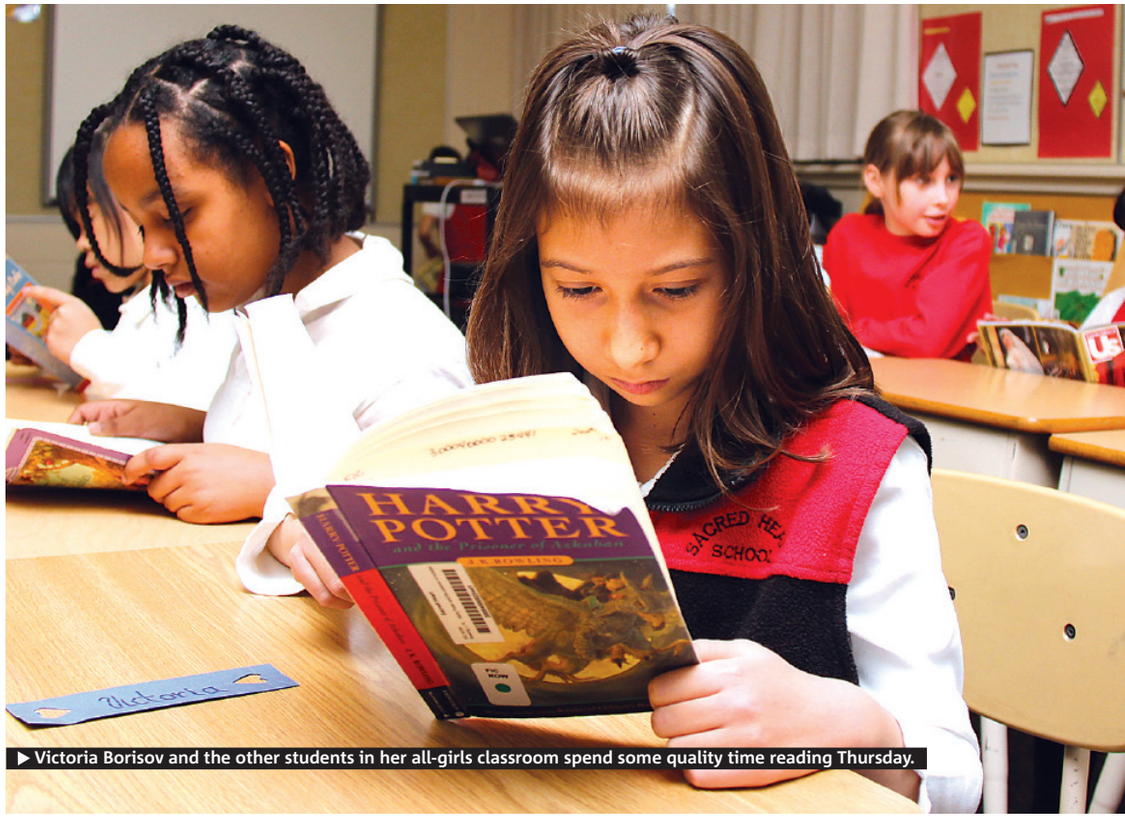
JEREMY NOLAIS

2003

The Calgary Board of Education established a Boys and Learning Committee in 2003 to begin examining the different ways boys and girls learn.

"It's certainly not a step forward."

SHARON FRIESEN, UNIVERSITY OF CALGARY, FACULTY OF EDUCATION



▶ Victoria Borisov and the other students in her all-girls classroom spend some quality time reading Thursday.

Metro asked Sacred Heart parents:

HAS BEING IN A GENDER-SEGREGATED CLASSROOM IMPROVED YOUR CHILD'S ABILITY TO LEARN?

Bassam Alain
DAUGHTER IN GRADE 5

"Yes. There's no pressure to look good in front of the opposite sex and stuff like that. They can all relate to each other."

Allison Carter
SON IN KINDERGARTEN

"It's new but I am impressed ... The difference is they sort of use the 'boy' energy in their learning. They develop stations and techniques revolved around that. I have noticed that it works."

Tim Hayoz
SON IN GRADE 4

"Not really. It seems to us to be about the same, to be honest. We weren't completely in favour of it, but rather than lose the school and have to relocate the kid, we kept him here."

Anei Ater
SON IN GRADE 3

"Yes. They learn differently. Also, sometimes I think there can be bullying between girls and boys, so there isn't that here."

Mona Maximo
DAUGHTER IN GRADE 3

"It's the same. I don't see any difference, really."

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Lessons learned with single-gender classes

It's been nearly one year since boys, girls at Catholic elementary school were split up Public board planning to launch all-boys program in the fall

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Girls are chatty and boys can't stop fidgeting.

Those opinions, expressed by Calgary Grade 4 students Michael Asuquo and Victoria Borisov, are at the very root of a program set to wrap its first year at Sacred Heart Elementary School.

Last fall, the Catholic School District unveiled a gender-specific program at the school in hopes of tailoring its teaching methods to better suit students.

"This has been a huge learning curve," principal Leanne Timko said Thursday. "What we have learned now will dramatically affect how we teach children, regardless of whether we teach a single-gender class or a co-ed class."

JEREMY NOLAIS/METRO

"They are legally required to learn the same things, but how we teach them is different."
LEANNE TIMKO, SACRED HEART PRINCIPAL

Each classroom at Sacred Heart has a different setup based on gender and age.

For example, classrooms for young boys are outfitted with a sound system because research has shown that demographic to have less sensitive hearing. They are also encouraged to move around and tasks are spaced out over shorter time periods.

In the girls' classrooms, meanwhile, open discussion is constantly encouraged and the atmosphere tends to be a little warmer with added light and pillows to sit on during reading sessions.

And though they are split up, the concept of diversity doesn't seem to be lost on the students at Sacred Heart.

"Children come from all over the world and you get to talk with them and know more about them," young Victoria said.

Timko said boys and girls are still given some time to socialize during certain classroom activities as well as at lunch and recess. She added that the single-gender program's future remains up in the air.

"We are constantly evaluating," she said. The plan is to go ahead with it again next fall."

Enrolment rising

Sacred Heart started its program with 102 kids last fall, but 140 have already signed up for this fall, said principal Leanne Timko.

"(Parents) are actually saying, 'I would like my child to come here,'" Timko said.

Much consultation is done before a family officially commits to Sacred Heart, she added.

Meanwhile, the Calgary Board of Education launched enrolment for its all-boys program earlier this month, but was not willing to specify Thursday the number of students that have enrolled.

The CBE initially said it created the program after interest was expressed by roughly 200 parents.

JEREMY NOLAIS

GAINING GROUND

Tunnel decision coming Friday

The Calgary Airport Authority is expected to make a decision about the airport tunnel on Friday afternoon, Ald. Jim Stevenson says.

The authority was supposed to respond to the city's proposal by 5 p.m. on Tuesday, but it requested more time.

The city is offering to build part of the tunnel, which would not be connected to Stoney Trail until funding is in place to build the interchanges. Council approved $295 million for the tunnel in February and has since been in negotiations with the authority.

KATIE TURNER

Airdrie in running for Games

Airdrie is getting ready for the Western Canada Summer Games bid-selection committee to descend on the city May 31. The committee is scouting facilities in Airdrie and Calgary to choose the host for the 2015 Western Canada Summer Games. METRO

Don't overdo warmup: Researchers

Athletes who warm up too long, at high intensity, could sabotage their performance during a race, researchers at the University of Calgary's kinesiology faculty have found. The research appears in the prestigious Journal of Applied Physiology. METRO

MOVE OVER, COWBOYS

IN DEFENCE OF ...

"Calgary is like a Greek fraternity, but with expensive parking tickets ... and more beer."

MIKE MORRISON
METRO

Calgary has a long history of being run by men.

I'm guessing that noise you just heard is the sound of feminists from McKenzie Towne to Sunnyside cracking their knuckles in anticipation of what they think is next. But it's true!

From the male-dominated Calgary Stampede to city hall and the oil and gas industry, Calgary is like a Greek fraternity, but with expensive parking tickets ... and more beer.

Heck, even city council only recently voted to get rid of the dated title of alderman.

If Canada were a real-life version of Girl Talk, Calgary would be the guy that always gets called on Friday nights and has to listen to a gaggle of giggling girls.

But in my opinion, the testosterone-filled tides of the Bow River are quickly changing, thanks to a pair of Calgary women who have all of this city's cowboys shaking in their boots.

Connie DeSousa is one of the masterminds behind this city's buzziest restaurants, CHARCUT, and she's also sweeping the kitchen floor with the competition on Top Chef Canada. If you haven't seen the show yet, I'm glued to Connie's patience, poise and her ability to win challenge after challenge.

As one of only two females left on the show, Connie is the one to beat. Similarly, I still check the directions on how to make Kraft Dinner properly.

But being successful on reality TV doesn't a star make, right, Melissa O'Neil?

True power is being able to open a restaurant in downtown Calgary, which is often mistaken for a ghost town, during an economic downturn. Now that takes a certain amount of ... cojones. On the mean and male-dominated street of Stephen Avenue, Connie is queen.

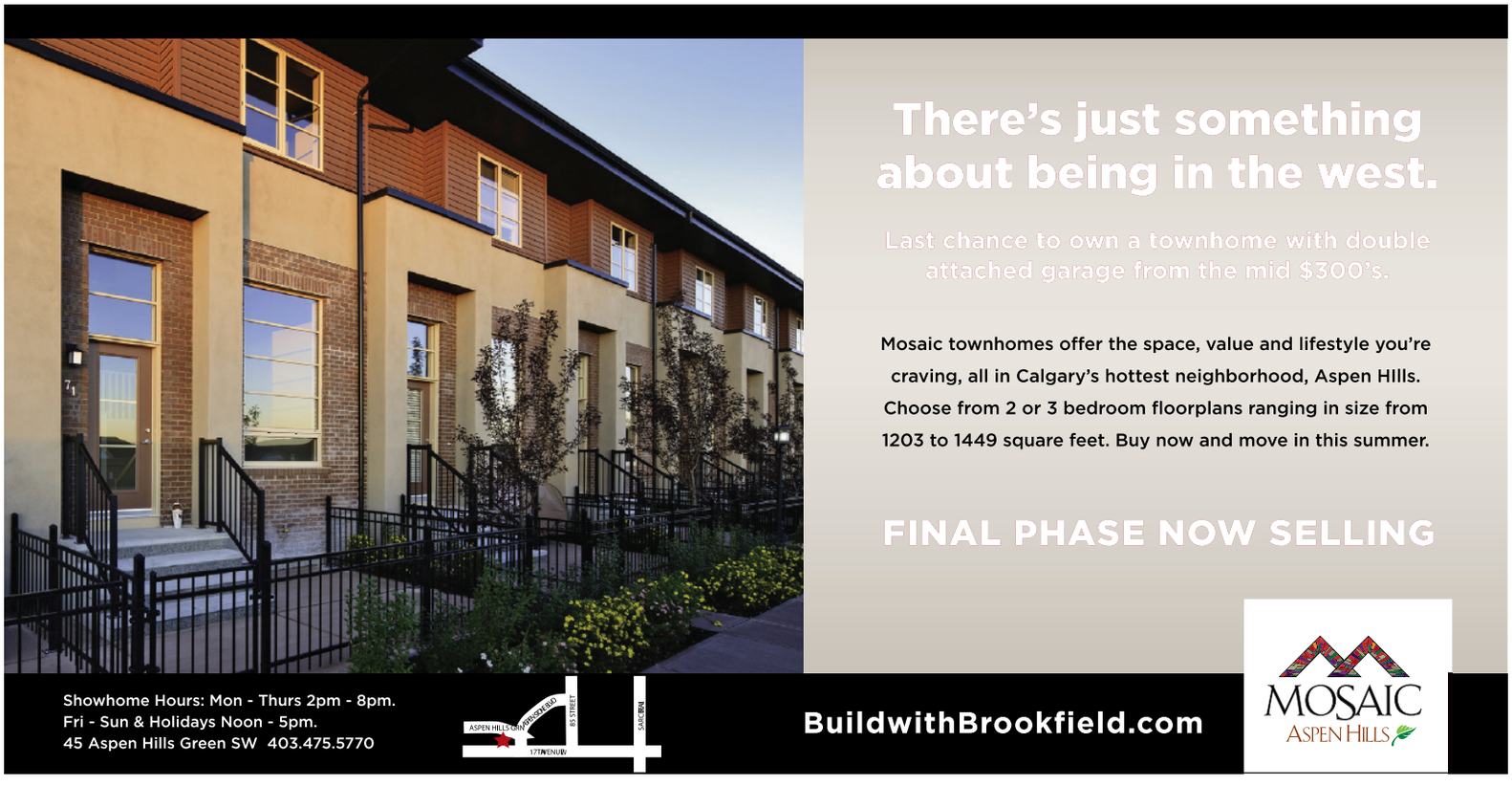
Have you heard of Kelly Oxford? If not, you're missing out on perhaps the coolest Calgarian Hollywood has ever seen. The mother of three has been tweeting and blogging for years and has slowly, but surely, amassed a huge following of fans who hang on her every word.

Mayor Naheed Nenshi's sometimes passive-aggressive tweets are like sugar-coated lollipops compared to Oxford's acid-laced fingers. In truth, she terrifies me. Her tweets and blog are ruthless, but her observations about life in Calgary are bone-crushingly hilarious.

And I'm not the only one to take notice. Kelly's life will soon be turned into a CBS sitcom and she'll be releasing a book by year's end.

Meanwhile, MP Jason Kenney still struggles to complete a sentence without sounding ridiculous. Baby steps.

It's refreshing to see two women defying this city's reputation of male dominance. Hey, guess who just came up with an idea to help out the Calgary Flames?



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News in brief

▶ Kevin Costner

Costner to take stage at Stampede

LINEUP. The Calgary Stampede Coca-Cola stage lineup was unveiled at the Covert Concert on Thursday night and showcases the likes of Hollerado, Finger Eleven, the Trews, Nitty Gritty Dirt Band and Marianas Trench. But perhaps the biggest name on the Coke stage lineup is Hollywood star Kevin Costner and Modern West. The Calgary Stampede runs July 7 (sneak-a-peek) to 17.
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Woman jailed for her part in brother's death

CRIME. An Alberta woman has been sentenced to 60 days in jail for her part in an alcohol-fuelled attack on her ex-boyfriend, which ended in the death of her brother.
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Take aim at a Target near you

RETAIL. Bargain shoppers will be excited to know that U.S. discount chain Target has announced its Calgary locations. The stores will be rolled out over the next couple of years at Chinook Centre; Forest Lawn Shopping Centre; Market Mall; Shoppes at Shawnessy; Signal Hill Centre; and Sunridge Mall.
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Community on alert

▶ High stream-flow advisory issued for many rivers in the Crowsnest Pass as of Thursday ▶ Alberta Environment monitoring water levels hourly

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Consistent rainfall throughout the week left one Calgary-area community preparing for flooding heading in to the weekend.

As of Thursday evening, the Town of Okotoks had begun preparing sandbags to combat potential floods.

"It's solely precautionary but certainly it is raining very hard here, and the prediction throughout the night is for that to continue," said Nancy Weigel, spokesperson for the town. "We're monitoring the situation very closely."

Okotoks had severe flooding in 2005 and Weigel said the town has a detailed flood plan should the situation arise again.

Carrie Sancartier of Alberta Environment said the agency is watching areas where heavy rainfall warnings were issued.

"Our forecasts are currently showing significant rain and we're not certain yet how that rain will fall," she said.

There is a break in sight, however, according to CTV meteorologist David Spence.

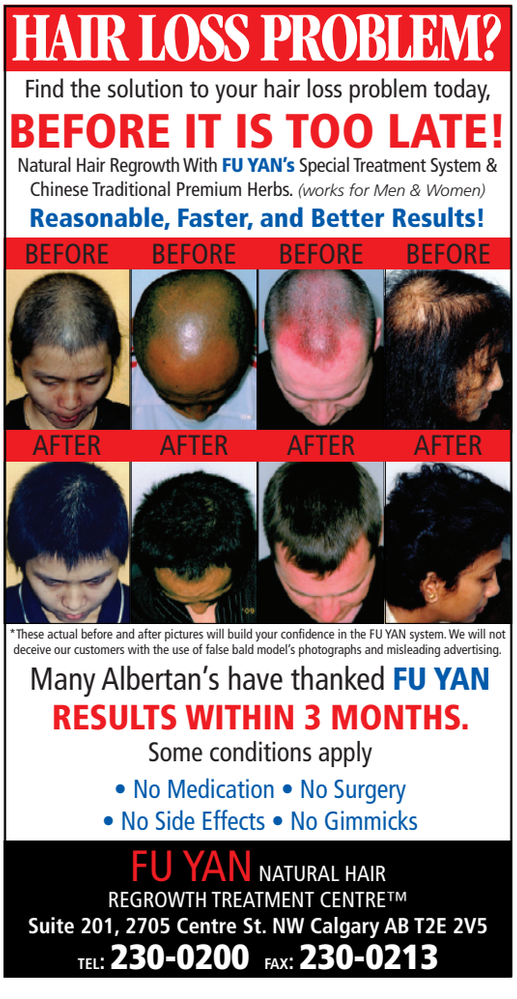
"It should be done before the weekend so everything is good for the Lilac Festival and campgrounds, although it will still be cool," he said.

DARREN KRAUSE/METRO

▶ The Sheep River in Okotoks breached its banks in the low-lying Lions Campground late Thursday, prompting the evacuation of the campground and the mobilization of sandbaggers.

River danger

- The Calgary Fire Department issued an advisory Thursday asking Calgarians to refrain from boating activities on the Elbow River.
- The gates of the Glenmore Dam were opened, increasing the water flow.
- Spokesperson Brian McAsey said the river is fast-moving and there is an inherent danger.
- "It's just not safe to be on there until further notice."



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▶ Dan Bennett and fellow musician Dave Wallace turned down an offer from Gene Simmons to create some pop-rap tracks for his label this year in the hope of maintaining creative control.

Calgary's culture focus of new track

Not all Calgarians are cowboys.

That's the message behind a new song and music video that is being released Sunday by local hip-hop artist Dan Bennett, also known as Transit.

"There's kind of a stigma that the city's just kind of a country oil town and I really wanted to showcase its artistic side," Bennett said.

"Everyone told me they really had fun with this."

Simply titled Calgary, the song incorporates the names of 30 local bands and turns the reins over to long-time Canadian vocalist Jann Arden to belt out its chorus.

The song's accompanying video features 18 of the bands mentioned in the song, as well as a cameo by Mayor Naheed Nenshi.

Calgary will be available on iTunes and the music video will be posted to YouTube.

For more information, go to myspace.com/transithiphop.

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EDUCATION

Journalism scholarship established

An annual scholarship has been established in memory of a Calgary journalist who was the victim of a domestic homicide.

The Amber Webb-Bowerman Memorial Foundation will be presenting a yearly endowment of $1,000 for SAIT journalism students.

Webb-Bowerman was killed while living in a basement suite she rented in Dalhousie, during a multiple murder-suicide that took place May 27, 2008.

It's believed the suspect also murdered his wife and two daughters before killing himself.

Bowerman studied journalism at SAIT and later became the editor and a mentor for the campus newspaper, The Weal. METRO

Identity theft event to be hosted

The Alberta Motor Association (AMA) has partnered with the Calgary Police Service, RCMP, Mount Royal University and Shred-It to help Calgarians prevent identity theft by hosting an event on May 28 in Lot A of Mount Royal University. METRO

Candidates vie for role

The fledgling Alberta Party will host its first leadership race this weekend at the Shaw Conference Centre in Edmonton.

Four candidates are vying for the party's top position: Glenn Taylor, Tammy Maloney, Randy Royer and Lee Easton. METRO

Mustard Seed sprouts garden

KATIE TURNER/METRO

▶ Designer Rob Avis of Verge Permaculture says he hopes the Mustard Seed rooftop garden inspires guests to grow their own vegetables.

Guests and staff at the Mustard Seed will tend to the garden

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The Mustard Seed is sprouting new life in the midst of the concrete jungle with the introduction of a rooftop garden.

Volunteers braved the rain to begin installing the garden, which will ultimately be used to provide produce for guests at the Seed.

"It's a dream realized," said Tammy Winterfield, the staff member who came up with the idea.

Co-worker Deb Runnalls said the space will go toward honouring the Seed's vision of creating a community.

"The rooftop garden was an opportunity for us to have a place in the middle of the city, where staff and guests could come together and really have that community and enjoy a space that was away from that urban world."

One of the designers of the space, Rob Avis of Verge Permaculture, said he hopes the space instills a love of gardening and that guests are able to grow their own food once they move on from the Mustard Seed.

"I always say all the world's problems can be solved in the garden."

Rooftop garden

▶ Some of the fruits and vegetables growing on the rooftop garden include strawberries, lettuce, kale, chard, herbs, peppers and tomatoes.

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▶ Staff Sgt. Geoff Gawlinski displays the replica AK-47 rifle that was seized in a raid on a southeast home.

Police seize guns, drugs

Two-week investigation resulted from public tips ◐ Loaded guns were among the weapons uncovered in raid, including a replica AK-47

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Two Calgary men have been charged after police seized drugs, guns and cash from a southeast home.

Police executed a search warrant at a house in the 2000 block of Apple Village Court SE. They also searched three vehicles. The investigation netted more than $15,000 in cash, cocaine, OxyContin, a sword and a replica AK-47.

"This could be mistaken for the real thing," said Staff Sgt. Geoff Gawlinski.

Byran James Balla, 24, and Jongoh Kim, 23, are charged with drug and weapons offences.

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Fire's ecological fallout could linger

The flames have been beaten back from Slave Lake in northern Alberta.

But as residents slowly return to their fire-scarred town, scientists are wondering about the environmental legacy of a blaze that consumed hundreds of homes and businesses and everything in them.

"If there's a really heavy fire and you burn up plastic, you'll end up with some of that residual, partially burnt plastic in the soil," said Anne Naeth, a biologist and expert in land reclamation at the University of Alberta.

Studies have been done on what happens when materials such as vinyl siding are burned, but there's little research on what's left behind from large-scale conflagrations. And large-scale certainly describes what happened in Slave Lake.

More than 400 lots were either levelled or badly damaged. Entire neighbourhoods were burned to their foundations. Dozens of vehicles were reduced to metal skeletons. Gas stations exploded.

"I would expect all sorts of nasty toxins, both inorganic and organic," said David Schindler, an ecologist at the University of Alberta. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

Kitten dies after being thrown from vehicle

Peace officers in the Crossfield district have launched an investigation after a four-week-old kitten was thrown from a moving vehicle, which then drove off.

According to reports, farmhands in the area saw the incident and immediately reported it to the local animal shelter.

People rushed to the aid of the cat, but their efforts were in vain and it later died at a veterinarian's office.

Anyone with information is asked to call 403-312-7115.

A reward is being offered.

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News in brief

Swarmed man acquitted

ACCIDENT. A Red Deer man who unknowingly injured a girl when his vehicle was swarmed by numerous attackers has been acquitted of dangerous driving. The judge said Sean Woods, 20, acted in a "reasonable" manner because he feared for his safety. **CANADIAN PRESS**

Edmonton joins the bigs

METER MADNESS. Edmonton is finally catching up to Calgary in something — but it's not something to envy. The city has announced an increase of 50 cents per hour in parking meter rates. **METRO**

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▶ France's first lady, Carla Bruni-Sarkozy, waits to greet G8 spouses in Deauville, France, on Thursday.

Bruni blasts sexism

France's first lady condemns comments that followed IMF chief's arrest
One politician said rape case was overblown — after all, 'nobody died'

France's first lady on Thursday backed an appeal by feminists condemning sexist comments that followed the arrest of then-IMF chief Dominique Strauss-Kahn.

Carla Bruni-Sarkozy supported the campaign "Sexism: they (men) lose it and women pay" on her official website.

More than 25,000 people have signed a petition organized by feminist groups condemning "misogynist comments by public figures" after Strauss-Kahn's arrest on charges of attempting to rape a hotel chambermaid.

Several commentators appeared to downplay the seriousness of the allegations or depicted Strauss-Kahn as the real victim — of rough American justice.

One politician said the case was being overblown — after all, "nobody died."

A prominent writer dismissed the alleged crime with a vulgar expression roughly meaning "getting into the maid's skirts."

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The mom-to-be

- Carla Bruni-Sarkozy greeted leaders' spouses at the Group of Eight summit on Thursday — showing off a distinct baby bump.
- French President Nicolas Sarkozy's father confirmed the pregnancy last week.

House arrest ... in a spiffy jail

Disgraced Dominique Strauss-Kahn has moved into a plush, four-bedroom brick townhouse in Manhattan.

He will remain there under house arrest and on $1 million US bail as he awaits trial on charges he tried to rape a hotel maid.

"Not much he can do."
LAWYER WILLIAM TAYLOR, TELLING REPORTERS HIS CLIENT IS DOING FINE UNDER HOUSE ARREST

Strauss-Kahn's agreement is expected to cost him about $200,000 a month. That doesn't include rent on his new digs, which were advertised for $50,000 a month in an online listing

The stately red brick town home is in Manhattan's Tribeca district, according a person familiar with his housing arrangements.

The building, which has five bathrooms, is located on a cobblestone street in one of the city's most posh neighbourhoods.

It also is close to the courthouse where he will attend hearings.

The townhouse includes a state-of-the-art theatre, gym, spa and four bathrooms with jetted tubs and steam showers.

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Student dies after blast in Ottawa auto shop class

An 18-year-old student who was critically injured in an explosion at a suburban Ottawa high school has died, police said late Thursday.

About a dozen students and a teacher were apparently building barbecues in the auto shop when vapours from an empty 55-gallon oil drum ignited and blew up, said Const. Marc Soucy, spokesperson for Ottawa police.

He said he heard the drum contained peppermint oil, but that is still under investigation.

The Grade 12 student wasn't breathing and had no pulse when emergency workers arrived, but paramedics were able to resuscitate him by the time they reached hospital.

The Ottawa Catholic School Board identified the student as Eric Leighton.

"Please keep Eric and his family, the injured, their families, our students and staff in your prayers," the school board said in a news release.

The mid-morning blast rattled desks throughout Mother Teresa Catholic High School and sent six people in total to hospital.

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With Mladic and bin Laden off the list, who is left?

War crimes

• Omar al-Bashir: President of Sudan. Wanted for crimes allegedly committed in Darfur.

• Joseph Kony: Leader of Lord's Resistance Army, brutal rebel group known for vicious attacks against Ugandan civilians.

• Jean Bosco Ntaganda: Congolese warlord wanted for war crimes, including an ethnic massacre in 2002.

Terrorism

• Ayman al-Zawahri: Al-Qaida deputy indicted for his alleged role in the 1988 bombings of U.S. embassies in Tanzania and Kenya.

• Anwar al-Awlaki: U.S.-born cleric, one of al-Qaida's most prominent English-language radicals.

GETTY IMAGES

▶ Alois Brunner

▶ Omar al-Bashir

• Fahd Mohammed Ahmed al-Quso: U.S. indictment for his alleged role in the 2000 bombing of the USS Cole in Yemen.

Second World War

• Alois Brunner: Most important unpunished Nazi war crimes suspect who may still be alive. Accused of helping to deport tens of thousands of Jews across Europe.

• Dr. Aribert Heim: Allegedly worked in Buchenwald, Mauthausen and other concentration camps, where he is accused of murdering hundreds by lethal injection.

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▶ Bosnian Serb army Gen. Ratko Mladic, second from left, accompanied by an aide and French UN security troops, arrives at a UN-sponsored meeting at Sarajevo's airport in 1993.

War crimes fugitive arrested in Serbia

Gen. Ratko Mladic, the brutal Bosnian Serb military commander suspected of leading the bloody massacre of 8,000 Muslim men and boys, was arrested in a raid Thursday in Serbia after years in hiding, the country's president said.

The arrest, which comes 16 years after Mladic was indicted by the UN war crimes tribunal for genocide, could be a jolt for Serbia's lagging efforts to join the European Union.

Serbia has been under intense pressure from the international community to catch Europe's most wanted war crimes suspect and the EU has insisted on his arrest as a condition for its membership bid.

UN prosecutors have said they believed the suspect in the worst massacre in Europe since the Second World War was hiding in Serbia under the protection of hardliners who consider him a hero.

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▶ A Buddhist monk and residents pray in front of a makeshift incense stand in Namie, northeastern Japan, Thursday.

Neighbours of Japanese nuclear plant return

- Two-hour visits first for residents since March 11
- Towns once thought safe added to evacuation zone

Donning white protective suits, neighbours of Japan's radiation-leaking nuclear plant returned home Thursday for the first time since March, when the crisis began.

They barely had time to fill garbage bags with belongings and pray at a makeshift shrine before they had to leave.

Some residents lit incense in Namie, one of the deserted, evacuated towns frozen in time since March 11. Debris is still piled several storeys high there, with a ship resting precariously atop one heap.

Tens of thousands of people were evacuated from towns near the plant soon after Japan's massive March 11 earthquake and tsunami flooded the Fukushima Dai-ichi nuclear complex, which then began spewing radiation. Local officials and nuclear experts escorted several dozen of them back for a two-hour visit,

"It was just like it was when the quake hit," said Anna Takano, a 17-year-old high school student from Futaba, home to the plant. "It felt very strange."

Many evacuees from the nuclear zone did not realize how long the crisis would drag on and left with only the clothes they were wearing and their purses or wallets.

Due to radiation concerns, officials allowed only two people per household to return.

They gave residents no more than one large black plastic bag because of space restrictions and over fears of contamination.

"I planned very carefully what I would get."
MIKIO TADANO, AN EVACUEE FROM THE NUCLEAR ZONE

After the disaster knocked out cooling systems at the plant, it suffered explosions, fires and spewed radioactive particles into the air,

Radiation levels in most areas have since declined, but are believed to still pose potential health hazards if sustained for long periods of time.

Including those left homeless by the quake and tsunami, more than 100,000 people remain in shelters across northern Japan. More than 25,000 were killed or are missing.

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▶ Japanese officials help residents of the town of Futaba to remove protective radiation suits in Tamura, Fukushima Prefecture, northeastern Japan, after returning from a two-hour visit to their homes Thursday.

Pet rescue

- So far, 588 people have made visits to their homes. Another 16,000 more from nine towns are still lined up for trips that will be conducted over the next several weeks, according to nuclear safety official.
- A government team also went with the residents to rescue stranded dogs. They brought out four, all of which were in good spirits.
- Earlier in the crisis when prohibitions on entering the zone were not strictly enforced, several private groups left food and water for lost dogs, keeping many alive long enough to be rescued and returned to their owners.
- Cats have been more difficult to bring back. None were rescued Thursday.
- Mihoko Watanabe, 73, said she left food and water for her cat, who remains at her home in Futaba but could not be captured and rescued. "I'm glad she's alive," Watanabe said. "But it's very sad. She's 23 years old."

News in brief

▶ U.S. President Barak Obama

Obama has faith in recovery

JAPAN. U.S. President Barack Obama is meeting with Japanese Prime Minister Naoto Kan on the sidelines of an international summit in France.

As Thursday's meeting got under way, Obama told reporters that Japan will emerge "stronger than ever" after an earthquake and tsunami killed thousands in March and sparked fears of a meltdown at a nuclear plant. Kan thanked the U.S. for its assistance after the disaster.

It was their first meeting since the earthquake, though the two spoke by phone several times. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

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Missing urged to get in touch

First name on list of 232 missing in Missouri after tornado is alive, had no cellphone to contact family

As emergency workers in Joplin, Mo., searched Thursday for more than 230 people listed as missing after a tornado tore through the city, one sat outside the wreckage of her home.

Sally Adams, 75, said neighbours rescued her Sunday. When The Associated Press told Adams she was on the missing list, she laughed and said, "Get me off of there!"

Missouri officials had said they believed many of the missing were safe and alive but simply hadn't been in touch with friends and family. When they released the list of 232 names Thursday morning, they urged survivors to check in. Cellphone service in the city remains spotty.

Not all of the stories of the missing will end as well as Adams'. The tornado killed 125 people, and some of their families waited Thursday for their remains to be released. One victim's funeral was scheduled for Friday morning in Galena, Kan., and other services were scheduled for the weekend.

But some of the bodies have yet to be identified. Andrea Spillars, deputy director and general counsel of the Missouri Department of Public Safety, said officials know some of the people unaccounted for are dead, but she wouldn't say how many or when the names of the deceased would be released.

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Missing list

The list of those missing after Thursday's tornado in Joplin, Mo., is confusing many.

Nursing home residents added to list:
12 residents of the Greenbriar Nursing Home are on the list. But nursing home administrators reported earlier that 11 people died in the tornado; only one was known missing.

MARIO TAMA/ GETTY IMAGES

▶ Jackie McGuirk, right, hugs her best friend Dana Roller Thursday outside McGuirk's destroyed home after a massive tornado passed through Joplin, Mo., killing at least 125.

Tornado watches withdrawn

In storm-weary middle America, many people counted themselves lucky Thursday after powerful storms swept through the region for the third time in four days but apparently claimed no lives.

Dozens of people were injured, mobile homes were flipped and roofs were torn off houses when tornadoes and thunderstorms hit Indiana, Illinois, Missouri and other states Wednesday evening.

Early Thursday, forecasters withdrew a slew of tornado watches in the South and said the heavy weather that pounded the Midwest in recent days had finally receded.

Nevertheless, violent storms could not be ruled out elsewhere.

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▶ U.S. army Pte. Philip Wong places a flag at the headstone of Sgt. Paul Dumont at Arlington National Cemetery.

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The Old Guard sticks with tradition

Flags-In has become an annual ceremony ahead of U.S. Memorial Day since the 3rd U.S. Infantry Regiment (The Old Guard) was offered to become an army's official ceremonial unit in 1948. Every available soldier in the 3rd U.S. Infantry Regiment participates.

Arnold's lawyer blasts Enquirer

- **Tabloid alleges ex-governor misused his security detail**
- **Another report claims probe for alleged fund misuse**

Arnold Schwarzenegger's lawyer is vehemently denying a report in the National Enquirer claiming the former California governor allegedly used his security detail in an inappropriate manner.

"Today's story from the National Enquirer is totally and completely false," read the statement from Martin Singer.

A statement from Mark Hammond, a retired police officer who was part of Schwarzenegger's security team, read: "I can say without a shadow of a doubt ... at no time did I see Governor Schwarzenegger say or do anything that could be deemed inappropriate."

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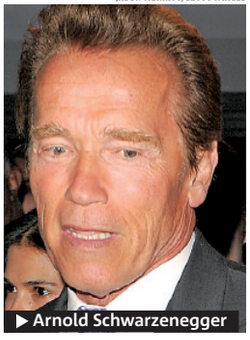


▶ Arnold Schwarzenegger

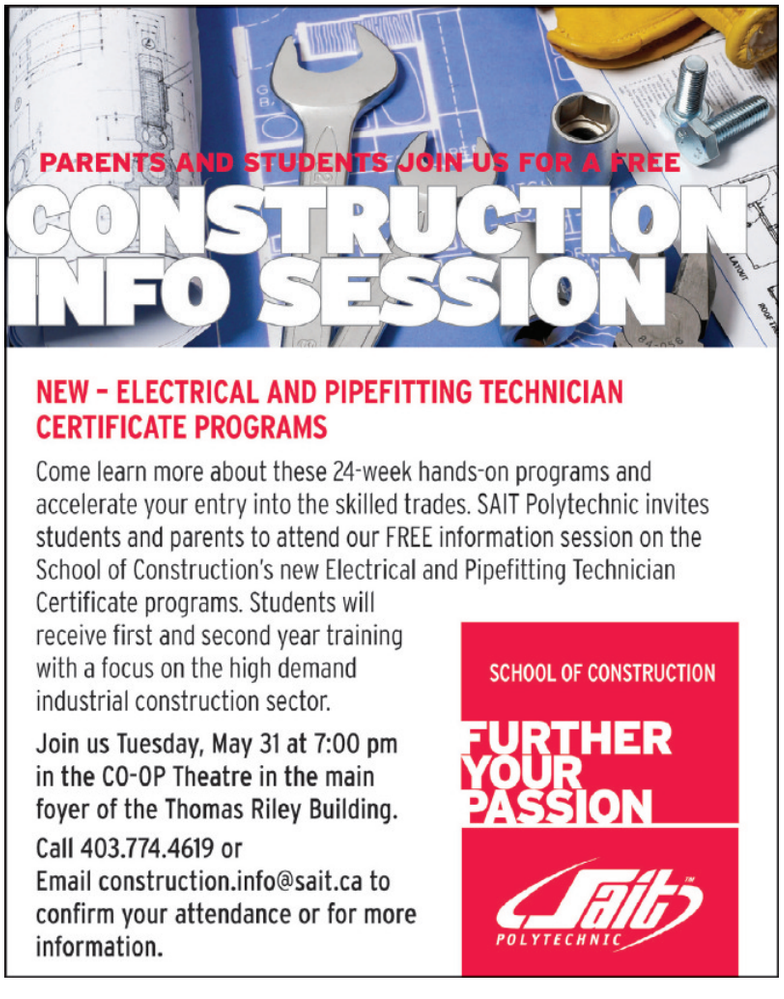
Meanwhile, RadarOnline.com reported that California's attorney general is investigating Schwarzenegger for alleged misuse of taxpayer funds.

Reached by the Toronto Star, a press spokesperson for the attorney general would neither confirm nor deny the existence of an inquiry. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Inquiry?

Top U.S. Democrat Eric Bauman has called for an inquiry.

- "Californians are greatly concerned that the former governor deceived not just his wife and his children," he told RadarOnline.com.
- "I for one certainly would like to know if any governmental or campaign resources were used to cover up this fiasco."



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Grieving mom speaks out on web bullying

N.S. teen took her own life after being bullied online and with texts

Pam Murchison, mother of 15-year-old Jenna Bowers-Bryanton, has dedicated herself to speaking out against bullying and, in particular, cyberbullying — a problem that advocates and experts say is all too common in this digital age, yet still needs awareness and action.

Murchison says the torment by her daughter's peers happened at school in Truro, N.S.

"I believe in my heart, and nobody can tell me any different, that it was the bullying that pushed her over the edge."

PAM MURCHISON, MOTHER OF GIRL WHO KILLED HERSELF

But she says harassment through text messages and comments posted online were especially troublesome.

"They told her she might as well kill herself, she was no good, she couldn't sing, she was ugly," Murchison recalls.

The Nova Scotia provincial government has announced it will set up a task force on cyberbullying in the wake of Jenna's death. "We hope that what will come out of it is some recognition that (cyberbullying) is societal," said Rosalind Penfound, deputy minister of education.

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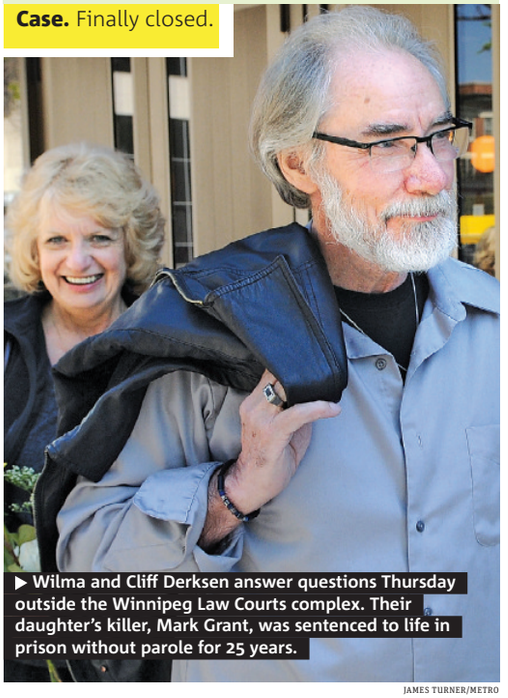
Cyber resource

- **Definetheline.ca.** The McGill University site shares expertise on cyberbullying and socially responsible digital citizenship.

Case. Finally closed.



▶ Wilma and Cliff Derksen answer questions Thursday outside the Winnipeg Law Courts complex. Their daughter's killer, Mark Grant, was sentenced to life in prison without parole for 25 years.

JAMES TURNER/METRO

Max sentence for killer

Mark Grant, convicted in the freezing death of 13-year-old Candace Derksen more than two decades ago, will have to serve 25 years before he is eligible for parole. The decision ends Wilma Derksen's 27-year pursuit of justice. "We grieve," she said outside court Thursday. "This is putting another life away and so that's hard. I don't think it's a day of rejoicing and it doesn't bring Candace back."

'Gas and dash' turns fatal: Police

$75 Police allege the driver made off with about $75 worth of gas.

With rising gas prices come more reports of drivers filling up and taking off without paying. But one such driver may have more than just a theft on his conscience.

Police in Ontario say a gas station attendant died of injuries suffered May 19 when he tried to stop a man from leaving without paying — a growing crime known as a "gas and dash."

Hashem Atifeh Rad, 62, of Mississauga, Ont., was working at a Petro-Canada station last Thursday when the driver began filling up.

It's alleged the attendant tried to confront the driver and was struck by the car and dragged into the street. Police say the driver was seen stopping just before the gas station and covering up his licence plates.

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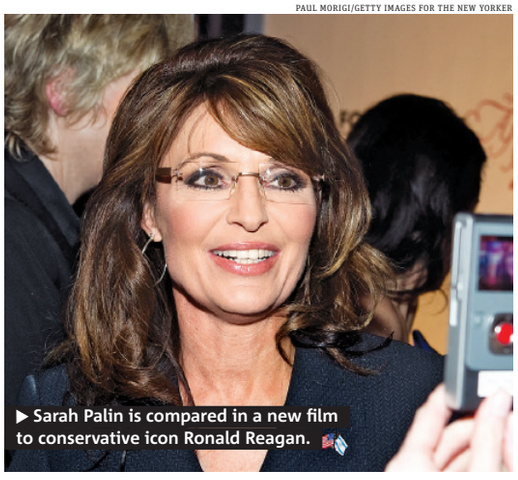

▶ Sarah Palin is compared in a new film to conservative icon Ronald Reagan.

Will she or won't she?

Palin sending signals she's going to run for president in 2012

After months of playing coy about running for president, Sarah Palin is sending the strongest signals yet that she's about to join the race for the 2012 Republican nomination.

Palin, the former governor of Alaska, has reportedly bought a house in Scottsdale, Ariz., fuelling speculation that she's going to base a national campaign from the "lower 48" instead of the remote reaches of her home state.

A reverential new documentary about her short-lived tenure as Alaska governor is also set to be released in a key primary state, Iowa, in June.

Undefeated, produced by conservative filmmaker Stephen Bannon, reportedly portrays Palin as an inspirational maverick and compares her to former president Ronald Reagan, a beloved conservative icon.

"This film is a call to action for a campaign like 1976: Reagan versus the establishment," Bannon told the RealClearPolitics website. "Let's have a good old-fashioned brouhaha."

Palin is also preparing to boost the number of public appearances she's making. Her camp has come out with guns blazing against a former aide who wrote a scathing tell-all about his former boss, describing Palin as a vindictive, unethical woman lacking any real interest in governing.

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Huffington Post debuts in Canada

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▶ Arianna Huffington is pictured during an appearance as a panellist for Tavis Smiley's "America's Next Chapter" earlier this year.

The Huffington Post news website has launched its first international incarnation with HuffPost Canada.

In a blog post, co-founder Arianna Huffington said the new site would provide a "turbo-charged, Canada-centric" version of the Huffington Post.

On its first day, the site featured blog posts written by environmental activist David Suzuki, Green party Leader Elizabeth May and Victoria-born, Oscar-nominated actress Meg Tilly.

Huffington said the site would focus on politics and business, while also covering entertainment, sports and community news.

The company plans to launch a version in the U.K. on July 7.

Founded in May 2005, the Huffington Post provides original reporting, content aggregation and a lively community for discussion.

The company was acquired by AOL in February for a reported $315 million US.

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For more information, visit huffingtonpost.ca

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Google launches wallet of the future

Google's 'single-tap' solution allows shoppers to pay with a tap of their phone

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▶ Google vice-president of commerce Stephanie Tilenius speaks during a news conference Thursday in New York.

Google Inc. launched its bid to dominate a world where the smartphone has replaced the wallet as the container for credit cards, coupons and receipts.

It's a vision shared by others. The Internet search and advertising company faces tough competition from cellphone companies and Visa, which all want to play a central role in tying together phones, retailers and banks into a new payment system.

Google said Thursday that it's launching a trial of its payment system in San Francisco and New York in co-operation with MasterCard and Citibank. It is opening it up to consumers in the summer. It then plans to expand across the country.

Google faces the same hurdles that have stifled previous trials in recent years. The new Google Wallet will initially work on only one smartphone, the Google Nexus S 4G carried by Sprint Nextel Corp.

It will connect only to MasterCard PayPass terminals. There are more than 135,000 of those in U.S. stores and restaurants, but that's only a small fraction of the total number.

Google calls it a "single-tap" solution, meaning shoppers should be able to pay with a single tap of their phone on a payment terminal, or a swipe past it. But in a demonstration at Thursday's New York event, a Google executive had to tap twice, then sign on the screen of the terminal provided by retail partner American Eagle Outfitters Inc. to get a purchase through.

The mobile payments system is more secure than credit and debit cards with magnetic stripes, but Google apparently faces a challenge in convincing retailers and perhaps also consumers of that.

The Wallet will initially work with a MasterCard from Citigroup Inc. and with a prepaid debit card issued by Google.

Partner Sprint is the third-largest U.S. cellphone company. The other three of the four national carriers have formed a consortium, called ISIS, to create a wallet that will compete with Google's.

Visa Inc. has also announced plans for its own wallet. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Users not so keen to swipe

A recent survey by the Canadian Wireless Telecommunications Association found only 18 per cent of mobile users were interested in swiping their phone at a check-out. Users aged 18 to 34 were somewhat more interested with 27 per cent expressing interest. Users were more willing to swipe a phone for other purposes, such as for using transit passes.

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1 Diplomatic immunity: I have a theory about ex-girlfriends. When you see her, and she is all dressed up, flaws temporarily obscured, she suddenly looks good again. But move in together and you will soon be reminded of why and just how much you hated her. It never ends well. In unrelated news, Bob Rae was chosen as interim Liberal party leader this week.

2 Touchdown: Former Super Bowl MVP Hines Ward won the coveted Mirror Ball trophy on Dancing With the Stars this week, which is great because the only thing his friends will make fun of more than being on Dancing With the Stars ... is WINNING Dancing With the Stars!

3 The Story of O: My mother was finally vindicated this week for her comments in 1986. After watching the first Oprah Winfrey Show, she stated, "Echh, this show will never last!"

"Scotty? Or Lauren? Whose musical career will I not follow first? Hmmm ... it's a tough choice."

4 The puck stops here: This week, the city of Vancouver revealed to the rest of the nation the secret to having a successful sports team: Don't live in Toronto.

5 Weather, or not?: There's nothing funny about the devastation caused by tornadoes in the central U.S. this week. What is funny is hearing the idiot with the camcorder say, "UH-OH, IT'S COMING TOWARD ME! Aaaaah ... THUMP!"

6 Diamond hoop dreams: Coming off his best NBA season, former Toronto Raptor and current New Jersey Nets forward Kris Humphries has deprived the North American singles scene of one of its prized members when he proposed to girlfriend Kim Kardashian. This will make him brother-in-law to Los Angeles Laker Lamar Odom, which may be awkward should they face each other in next year's NBA finals. Thankfully, if that happens, the event will take place in fantasy land because he plays for the Nets!

7 Subliminal seduction: After repeatedly listening to Rihanna's current hit, S & M, I believe I have uncovered subtle sexual undertones. My suspicions were confirmed when she opened the Billboard Music Awards in a titillating performance with Britney Spears that can best be described as "really slutty." I, however, much preferred the post-show interview where Britney tells us how much she has grown as a mother.

8 American Idle observations: Great performances by Beyoncé and Gaga. This just in — Tony Bennett is still alive ... sort of. Is it me or did one-half of TLC have one too many BLTs? Marc Anthony is one slick, badass latino stud. He married the "Most Beautiful Woman in the World," and flaunted her before our eyes. And all the while I was preoccupied with the night's "raison d'être." Scotty? Or Lauren? Whose musical career will I not follow first? Hmmm ... it's a tough choice.

I would like to bid American Idol farewell. Adieu to yeu and yeu and yeu. Good riddance.

More from Mike Benhaim at metronews.ca/backbeat

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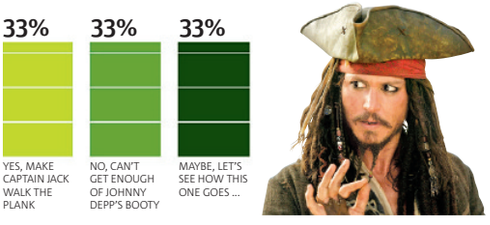
Have there been too many Pirates of the Caribbean movies?



Local tweets

- **@electricityska:** I actually really like the weather, which is extremely surprising ... even to myself. #Pacificpreferences #YYC
- **@alison_mcarthur:** Didn't encounter a single soul on my walk in rainy #yyc.
- **@imalvinz:** Watching Switchfoot live tonight! Sooo stoked #switchfoot #yyc
- **@east_coast_girl:** Beerfest tomorrow! #yyc
- **@bmuzyka:** I usually love rain, but I want to use my new Sunglasses. Come out Sun. #yyc
- **@Sam_Peck:** Thanks #yyc #weather for teaching me how to multitask with an umbrella.
- **@kentonsmith:** While I'll be happy to work anywhere in the city, being downtown the last couple of days reminds me how great it is to be downtown. #yyc
- **@Jasonneil03:** I just wanna throw this out there ... I LIKE RAIN! Hearing people complain, kinda gives me a good feeling too. #yyc
- **@onetinysuitcase:** Lots of #yyc babies this week. Medela pump rentals are flying out the door!

Worth mentioning

LONDON. A group of researchers claims it has found the most distant explosion ever detected, a pulse of high-energy radiation sent by a disintegrating star near the very edge of the observable universe.

The stellar blast was first spotted by a NASA satellite in April 2009, but researchers announced Wednesday that they have since gathered data placing it more than 13-billion light years away — meaning the event took place when the universe was still in its infancy.

Andrew Levan, one of the scientists behind the discovery, said this blast from the past blew open a window into the universe's early years, showing that massive stars were already dying within the first few hundred million years of the birth of the universe.

This particular explosion wasn't a supernova but a gamma ray burst, the name given to a short but powerful pulse of high-energy radiation. Such bursts, thought to result from the collapse of massive stars into black holes, shoot jets of energy across the universe.

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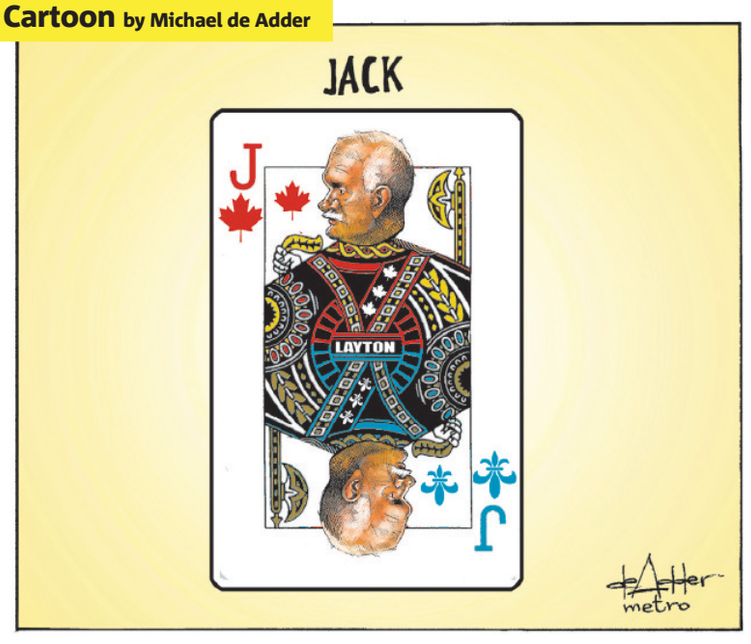

WEIRD NEWS

Planning 101: Think before you build

Lots of houses have a two-car garage. Dan Reeves' had a one-airplane basement.

Until, that is, the central Pennsylvania man knocked out a wall to get it out.

Reeves spent the past nine years building a two-seat airplane in the basement of his Cumberland County home. The plane arrived in pieces via mail, but eventually it became way too big to get up the steps.

So Reeves dug a trench down to the foundation and took out a wall. Reeves pulled the plane out Wednesday using a truck, a chain and some neighbours.

Onlookers were drawn to the spectacle by the "Airplane Removal Wednesday" sign put up on Reeves' porch.

Reeves tells the Patriot-News of Harrisburg he spent $40,000 on the plane and about $5,000 on the excavation.

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▶ Despite revealing very little about the plot, J.J. Abrams has piqued the interest of Richard and Mark in his new sci-fi movie Super 8, which comes out June 10.

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Reel Guys

Summer movie season

Richard Crouse and Mark Breslin discuss which summer movies they are most looking forward to seeing ◐ Everyone loves a movie that involves aliens

RICHARD CROUSE & MARK BRESLIN
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The biggest film of last summer was Toy Story 3. What will hit the top of the charts this year? The Reel Guys have a look into their cinematic crystal ball and pick some favourites.

Richard Crouse: Mark, it's the season of crash, boom, bang. Movies with the number 2, 3 and 4 in their titles, and superheroes look likely to rule the summer, and as much as I enjoy a good popcorn movie, the prospect of being bludgeoned by Michael Bay for the next few months isn't the most appealing thought I've had today.

Mark Breslin: Only our editor could force me to see a Michael Bay movie. I am looking forward to the next X-Men installment. It's a franchise that keeps getting better, and this prequel, which takes place in the '60s, seems to fuse real events (the Cuban Missile Crisis) with the sci-fi. Could be a potent combo. Richard, what are you looking forward to?

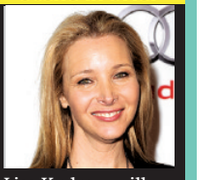
RC: The best summer movie trailer I've seen so far is for Cowboys and Aliens. I know it will be a loud 'n' proud summer flick, but I haven't ever seen a sci-fi western since Westworld, and anything Daniel Craig does these days is worth laying eyes on. If director Jon Favreau makes this half as much fun as he did the first Iron Man movie, it'll be a treat. Also, I love the name. So B-movie drive-in.

MB: Yes, the trailer looks like a lot of fun. Of course I'm a sucker for good sci-fi. Which brings me to my anticipation for Super 8, J.J. Abrams' take on early Spielberg flicks like ET and Close Encounters; and what will surely be the best movie of the summer, Rise of the Planet of the Apes.

RC: Super 8 looks good to me as well. It looks like Stand By Me with aliens, but since J.J. Abrams keeps his plots under wraps I don't know for sure. Love that. I'm also looking forward to the ape movie. I grew up on the originals, and even had the Aurora model kits when I was a kid. But on a more serious note I really want to see the documentary Project Nim, a kind of real life Planet of the Apes about a chimpanzee raised by a New York City family in the 1970s. Anything other than the blockbusters that you're looking forward to?

MB: Larry Crowne, the Tom Hanks/Julia Roberts vehicle about romance in the downward socially mobile set, looks intriguing, and Bad Teacher, the deliciously amoral Cameron Diaz comedy, appeals to me, but only if she's really, really bad!

Scene in brief



Lisa Kudrow will host the 15th annual Webby Awards. Kudrow will oversee the June 13 ceremony at the Hammerstein Ballroom in New York City. One of her duties is to ensure that award winners stick to Webby protocol by limiting their acceptance speeches to just five words.
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5 best Johnny Depp roles

One of Hollywood's biggest stars, Depp has so many great movies it's hard to narrow it down to just five A pair of Edwards start off the list that shows how big the actor's range is

Johnny Depp is back in the scarves, jewels and eyeliner, bumbling his way from one adventure to the next as the insouciant Capt. Jack Sparrow in Pirates of the Caribbean: On Stranger Tides. It's the fourth movie in the monstrously popular Disney franchise and it's given Depp one of his signature characters. The fourth Pirates movie is already burning up the box office so expect more Jack Sparrow in the future.

But the 47-year-old actor and three-time Oscar nominee is one of the most versatile performers of his generation, immersing himself fully and believably in every role he takes. So here's a look at Depp's five best performances — although it would have been hard to choose the five best from the work he's done with Tim Burton alone.

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Edward Scissorhands 1990

The first of Depp's collaborations with Burton, who would go on to become his frequent director and good friend. The seeds were planted here for one of Depp's key on-screen personalities: the quirky-funny-awkward-sweet misfit.

He's all that and so much more as the title character, the creation of an inventor who died before his work was complete, leaving Edward to fend for himself in the outside world with scissors for hands. He's initially feared, but then his gentle demeanour wins over the bored residents of a tacky suburban enclave, including the beautiful teenager Kim (Winona Ryder).

It's a whimsical and dark fairy tale, and Depp's delicate performance is just heartbreaking. I cry every time I watch it.

Ed Wood 1994

Depp's next film with Burton was the hilarious, sorta-true, black-and-white biopic about the director Ed Wood, who achieved cult status by famously making some of the worst films known to mankind, including Plan 9 From Outer Space and Glen or Glenda.

Depp infused the performance with the clueless, cheery optimism of a would-be auteur. But in portraying Wood's secret inner life — his proclivity for dressing in women's clothing — he also found a sweetness and a sensitivity.

You get the feeling that Depp (and Burton) were never making fun of Wood, but rather saluting him with an affectionate homage.

Pirates of the Caribbean: The Curse of the Black Pearl (2003)

The first time he played the role of Capt. Jack Sparrow, it was a startling thing to behold. He seemed kinda drunk and vaguely effeminate, out of control yet always on top of his game.

Depp was clearly channeling Keith Richards (who would show up in later installments in a cameo as Jack's dad), and yet he had created an indelible figure that was entirely his own. It was unpredictable, and that was thrilling. The first Pirates movie earned Depp the first of his three best-actor nominations. Now the novelty has long since worn off, but Jack can still be a kick.

Sweeney Todd: The Demon Barber of Fleet Street (2007)

Back with Burton, Depp earned his third best-actor Oscar nomination for playing the title character in this film adaptation of Stephen Sondheim's revered musical. He and co-star Helena Bonham Carter aren't exactly singing — they're really acting the music most of the time — but that makes the whole experience feel even more frightening.

Still, in playing a vengeful barber who slits his customers' throats, Depp took on the kind of challenging role that's become his trademark; he can do anything, and he makes it look easy. With his shock of black-and-white hair and an obsessed look in his darkened eyes, Depp's Todd could be a long-lost, evil relative of Edward Scissorhands.

Rango (2011)

With an honourary mention for Tim Burton's Corpse Bride (2005). These animated films reveal Depp's ability to provide a rich characterization, even when you can't see him.

In Rango, he lends his voice as a quick-talking lizard with a flair for the theatrical. Dumped in the tiny desert town of Dirt, this domesticated pet reinvents himself as Rango, and he's one tough hombre.

Depp is wonderfully goofy here; he sounds playful and free. In the gorgeous and strange Corpse Bride, a wonder of stop-motion animation and digital technology, Depp dials it down to play a young man who's shy, skittish and subdued, but just as fully fleshed out as any human being he's portrayed throughout his varied career.

Who will get the 'Cannes bump'?

The dust has settled on Cannes, but what does it all mean Will Palme D'or win boost Tree of Life? Has Kristen Dunst resurrected her career?

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At a rumoured cost of more than $100 million US, Terrence Malick's drama The Tree of Life may be the most expensive film to ever win the Palme D'or at Cannes, making the question of whether the award will enhance its box-office potential all the more urgent.

The film, which has been compared in its cosmic scale and vast leaps through time to 2001: A Space Odyssey, was supposed to premiere at the prestigious French film festival in 2010, but a complicated series of events involving editing delays and nervy distributors held up plans for the premiere.

For art-house and foreign-language films, a Cannes premiere is like the Fourth of July weekend slot for a Will Smith franchise flick: it's a time when tastemaking critics and ambitious distributors try to put art before commerce. It's also seen as the first stop on the annual film-festival circuit — a launching pad for films that will end up showing around the world.

Whatever its actual commercial potential, Tree of Life will open in June in an attempt to capitalize on its much-publicized Palme, but other Cannes buzz items will only show up in Canada during September's Toronto International Film Festival.

It's likely that one of these will be perennial provocateur Lars Von Trier's new apocalyptic melodrama Melancholia, which saw its director banned from a festival he's dominated for the past decade.

Not because of anything onscreen, but because of his remarks at a press conference claiming (in a badly conceived joke) that he felt some sympathy for Adolf Hitler.

Von Trier has been contrite, but he must know that on some level, any publicity is good publicity, and the combination of controversy and a starry cast — including Kirsten Dunst, who may have resurrected her professional reputation by taking home a Best Actress prize from the official jury — may give Melancholia the biggest "Cannes bump" of all.

Winners

The winners at 2011 Cannes Film Festival.

- **Palme d'Or:** The Tree of Life, Terrence Malick
- **Grand Prix (tie):** The Kid with the Bike, Luc and Jean Dardenne, and Once Upon a Time in Anatolia, Nuri Bilge Ceylan
- **Jury Prize:** Polisse, Maiween
- **Best Director:** Nicholas Winding Refn, Drive
- **Best Actor:** Jean Dujardin, The Artist
- **Best Actress:** Kirsten Dunst, Melancholia
- **Best Screenplay:** Joseph Cedar, Footnote
- **Best Short Film:** Cross Country, Maryna Vroda
- **Camera d'Or:** Las acacias, Pablo Giorgelli

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▶ Actress Kirsten Dunst poses after winning Best Actress for the film Melancholia at the 64th Cannes Film Festival. Dunst may have benefited the most from the Cannes buzz.

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Hop (G) Fri-Thu 1:30-3:55-7:15
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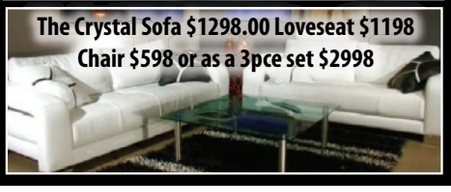

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We asked a few hit makers to take us back in time and share their favourite concert memories with us

▶ Cloud Cult

▶ Papas Fritas

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“Just this last summer at the Download Festival in Donington, it was just unbelievable to play half of the set without the lights because it’s so bright in the sun ... To just go, ‘You know, we’re not using anything but us.’ It was a wonderful moment just knowing it was just you five guys playing to 130,000 fans without any electronic gizmos or any help with pictures or anything.”
Brian Johnson, AC/DC

“The first show I ever saw was the Beach Boys for free at a big public park in Wilmington, Delaware — my hometown. Few things are more enjoyable than listening to the Beach Boys outdoors in the summer, though the Beach Boys sound good any time any place!”
Tony Goddess, Papas Fritas

“I went to Reggae on the River. No one was smoking weed. It was crazy ... There were no dreadlocks, no weed, and it smelled great ... Make no mistake though, people SCHMOKED WAAAADE. There’s no way to write that, is there?”
ANDY SAMBERG, THE LONELY ISLAND

“My first outdoor concert was the first Lollapalooza ... That was a spiritual experience right there. I remember Jane’s Addiction singing, Summertime Rolls, and it was raining out and it was like, ‘Ahhh, this is so great!’ ... The summertime outdoor shows are the best concerts to attend and the best concerts to perform, because I think the ancient purpose of music is so spiritual — however you want to translate that word — and our ancestors have used it over the centuries in the outdoors, whether singing to the stars or singing for rain or singing for medicine. But it was always working with the natural world, so the experience of being able to be in the outdoors and be able to listen to music and play music just takes the whole ceremony up a few notches.”
Craig Minowa, Cloud Cult

“Summer, winter, fall spring — it’s all the same to me. I’m not in school anymore so every day is summer.”
Nikki Sixx, Motley Crüe

What's going on in Calgary this summer

Music

Ratatat
June 1
MacEwan Hall Ballroom
macewancentre.com

Rihanna with Cee-Lo Green
June 21
Scotiabank Saddledome
scotiabanksaddledome.com

Sled Island Festival (Zola Jesus, Dum Dum Girls, Kurt Vile)
June 22 - 25
Various venues in Calgary
sledisland.com

The Black Keys
June 28
Stampede Corral
venues.calgarystampede.com

Festivals

Calgary Stampede (Backstreet Boys, New Kids On The Block, Katy Perry)
July 8 - 17
Scotiabank Saddledome
calgarystampede.com

Calgary Folk Festival (Joel Plaskett Emergency, The Felice Brothers, Cadence Weapon)
July 22 - 24
Prince's Island Park
calgaryfolkfest.com

Slayer with Rob Zombie
July 30
Scotiabank Saddledome
scotiabanksaddledome.com

X-Fest (Jane's Addiction, Weezer, The Rural Alberta Advantage)
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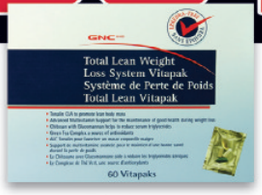
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Don't cut Grammy categories, music coalition urging

A coalition of musicians is demanding the Recording Academy restore more than 30 categories cut from the Grammy Awards, alleging the reductions unfairly target ethnic music and were done without the input of its thousands of members.

A protest was planned Thursday in Beverly Hills, Calif., at an academy board meeting. It is part of a campaign by those upset by last month's decision to reduce the Grammy fields, which this year totalled 109, to 78.

Grammy President and CEO Neil Portnow said changes would be in effect for the 2012 Grammys. But protesters hope the process could be reversed in time for next year's Grammy ceremony if at least one board member asks the academy to reconsider.

"I believe the Grammys have done a disservice to many talented musicians by combining previously distinct and separate types of music into a catch-all of blurry larger categories."
PAUL SIMON, IN A LETTER TO GRAMMY PRESIDENT AND CEO NEIL PORTNOW

"Hopefully during that time, someone will rise and be brave enough and do this," Bobby Sanabria, a four-time Grammy nominee in the Latin jazz category and a leader of the movement against the changes. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

Festival bound? Best plan ahead

You scored tickets to this summer's hottest festival, but that doesn't guarantee a good time Here's where to stand, what to bring and getting your money's worth

LUKE O'NEIL
METRO WORLD NEWS

It's summer music festival season, which means hundreds of thousands of concert-goers will herd into dusty fields or the wet grass and pass out from a combination of heat exhaustion and over-indulging. Fun! But don't let it happen to you. There are a few key do's and don'ts to make the most of outdoor shows this summer.

Frank Bombaci Sr. is the organizer of the third annual B.O.M.B. Fest, taking place this May in Hartford, Conn. With marquee acts like Weezer, Snoop Dogg, Wiz Khalifa and Best Coast playing, we figured we could trust him to share some of his tips to do festivals right.

Plan ahead

"You want to get to the event early and stake out some good strategic spots," says Bombaci. "With a festival like ours, there is so much music and multiple stages, you should look at the schedule and map out your strategies. Anchoring your day around the one band you definitely need to see will help you figure out what you have time to check out elsewhere."

Don't lurk by the main stage

"Pay attention to all the stages and really give those artists the opportunity to be heard. At the smaller stages the music is phenomenal, even if lots of times people don't really know who they are," he says. "They might be headlining next year, so now's your chance to see them up close."

What to carry in

"It's always good to bring a rain jacket," says Bombaci. "You never know when the rain gods are gonna open up a bit." Actually, yes you do. During every outdoor concert ever! Another tip: Lots of festivals, like B.O.M.B., have relaxed the restrictions on bringing water into the venue, but not all. Find out ahead of time what you can bring. And, it's obvious but worth noting: "Don't forget to bring sunscreen," says Bombaci. "You watch people over the course of the day turn into lobsters."

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▶ You do not want to be that girl on the right.

But don't bring this

"At our event," says Bombaci, "it's not wise to bring in any kind of cooler. Those aren't going to be allowed. You usually can't bring in a professional-style camera either. Pocket cameras are cool, but people have to be understanding that artists don't like flashes in their faces."

Find the right angle

"One thing about festivals that have multiple stages, there's always sound bleed. It's always a good idea to get close to the stage, and near the centre of the stage, to reduce sound bleed form other stages," advises Bombaci. "If a person can afford it, buy a VIP ticket."

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Your soundtrack to summer

As the season heats up, you're going to need some cool tunes Metro has your fix We've got the latest from indie acts (Black Lips), rappers (Pitbull), old-timers (Neil Young) and even someone dead (Queen!)

Black Lips
Arabia Mountain
(Vice) June 7
Who: Sharp garage rockers from Georgia, home of the rebel yell.
What: Courtesy of producer Mark Ronson (Amy Winehouse, Adele), the sixth studio album from these Atlanta braves is more crafted than crafty, adding R&B horns and a pop curve.
Why buy: While it's the band's most accessible record, Arabia Mountain retains the Lips' essential snot and spit.

Arctic Monkeys
Suck It and See
(Domino Records) June 7

Who: Yorkshire U.K.-based pop rockers with a smart punk edge.

What: The Monkeys survive the aftermath of the '00s back-to-the-garage movement with an album that has more pomp and stomp, and '70s heavy rock shtick. But always with that sly, wry Arctic afternote.

Why buy: To contemplate the metaphorical implications of a title such as Don't Sit Down 'Cause I've Moved Your Chair.

Neil Young
International Harvester:
A Treasure (Reprise
Records) June 14

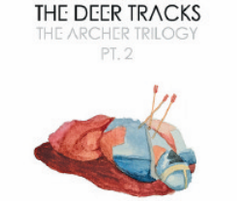
Who: The man who rivals Dylan for world's biggest road hog title.

What: These live cuts date from a time when Young pissed off corporations (including his then label) and went rogue, touring in 1984 and 1985 with this stellar country combo.

Why buy: Completist alert: Whether on CD, limited edition vinyl or the deluxe CD/Blu-ray package, this includes five previously unreleased songs.

The Deer Tracks
The Archer Trilogy Pt. 2
(The Control Group) July 5
Who: Stylish Swedish boy-girl duo David Lehnberg and Elin Lindfors make moody electronic pop.

What: Part 1 was a teasing EP's worth of spiraling folky electronic dream pop; this goes full-length, before another EP, also due this summer, bookends the project. Possible electronic pop opera to follow?

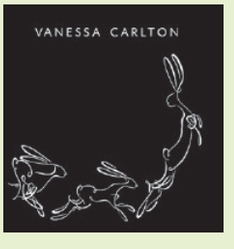


Why buy: To cement the stereotype that all Scandinavians are smart and stylish. We're just jealous.

Vanessa Carlton
Rabbits On The Run
(Razor and Tie) June 28

Who: The girl behind the beautiful piano pop hit, A Thousand Miles.

What: No overbearing over-souling, Carlton delivers her grrl-pop straight, candidly exploring the twits, twists and simple turns of fate that any girl of any age can relate to.



Why buy: Sweet, easy-listening, non-bubblegum pop with lovely arrangements. Chill time.

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Soundtrack to summer cont.

Dave Stewart
The Blackbird Diaries
(Razor and Tie) June 28
Who: The guy behind '70s mod-punks The Tourists and '80s pop giants Eurythmics goes cowboy! Again!
What: Stewart takes a nostalgia trip through rural America (and his youth) talking up Mississippi John Hurt, writing a song with Bob Dylan, and dueting with Stevie Nicks, Colbie Caillat and Martina McBride.
Why buy: Moody rootsy rock, stuffed with stinging guitar licks.

Pitbull
Planet Pit
(J-Records) June 21
Who: Miami rapper Armando Christian Pérez nails vice-like rhymes into hit singles. You've heard him on tracks from T-Pain and the latest from Jennifer Lopez.
What: Pitbull's team on his sixth album reads like a block party A-list: Ne-Yo, Afrojack and Nayer join in on first single, Give Me Everything. T-Pain and Sean Paul add their two cents worth later. Everyone hugs. LINDA LABAN

BEST APPS FOR MUSIC DISCOVERY

SOUND CHECK

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There's just too much music and not enough time.

We spend so much time researching and searching for the next big song/album/artist that we don't spend enough time actually savouring music anymore. This is why so many people rely on recommendations from friends, curators and algorithms.

Some have found salvation in various apps for their smartphones and tablets. Here are a few of my favourites.

Discovr (iPod touch, iPhone, iPad, Android; $0.99): Fire up the app and enter the name of an artist you like in the search field. Suddenly, the screen blossoms into what looks like a molecule with that first artist at the nucleus. Pictures of people who make similar music radiate outward. Touch any of those connected artists and a new molecule forms with related artists. Frighteningly addictive.

Hitlantis (iPhone, iPad, Android; free): Similar to Discovr, this app displays artists who have registered with the service. Each band appears as a colour-coded planet orbiting the Hitlantis sun. The closer an act is to the sun, the more popular it is with users of the app. If you're interested in indie, unsigned and undiscovered bands, this is a gold mine.

Moodagent (iPod touch, iPhone, iPad, Android; $4.99): After analyzing all the music on your device, Moodagent offers a series of emotion-related slider controls that allow you to create mood-based playlists, tailoring the music for your current headspace and location. And should you want to share how you're feeling, Moodagent connects with Facebook and Twitter.

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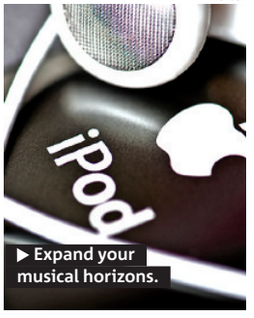

▶ Expand your musical horizons.

Planetary (iPad, Android; free): When it was released earlier this month, this app spread through the music-loving geek community like a comet. Like Moodagent, Planetary analyzes the music on your device and organizes everything into gorgeous 3-D star charts and planetary systems. Touch on a star or a planet and watch what happens.

Shazam (iPod touch, iPhone, iPad, Android; free for the basic version): Ever been somewhere and heard a song that you liked but couldn't identify? With Shazam, you just hold up your device so it can "hear" what's playing. After a few seconds, the app comes back with the name of the song, the artist and a chance to instantly purchase the song right on your device.

SoundHound (iPod touch, iPhone, iPad, Android; free for the basic version): Similar to Shazam but boasts the ability to recognize a song in as little as four seconds.

TV watch list

Pare finds new conquests

TELEVISION. Montreal-born actress Jessica Pare, who recently made a splash playing Don Draper's new conquest on Mad Men, stars in The Death and Life of Nancy Eaton. Pare plays Eaton, the department store heiress who was brutally murdered in Toronto in 1985. The film is based on the book, A Question of Guilt.

▶ **The Death and Life of Nancy Eaton**
Saturday, A

Galifianakis does standup

COMEDY. Shaggy standup star Zack Galifianakis, who can be seen in the recently released film The Hangover Part II, stars in his own special Saturday. Zack Galifianakis: Live has him playing piano as he delivers hilarious one-liners in San Francisco.

▶ **Zack Galifianakis: Live**
Saturday, The Comedy Network

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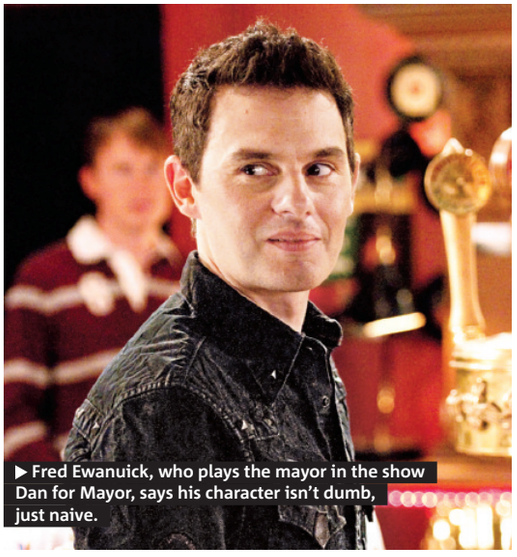

▶ Fred Ewanuick, who plays the mayor in the show Dan for Mayor, says his character isn't dumb, just naive.

Political ambition

Dan for Mayor star talks about his character, what fans can expect

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You can call the title character of Dan For Mayor a lot of things, but don't call him dumb.

"He's not dumb. Not at all," insists actor Fred Ewanuick, who plays the unlikely mayor of Wessex in the comedy series — which begins its second season June 5th on CTV.

"He's just inexperienced. Naive. He's being put in these situations he's not familiar with. But he's really trying to make an effort to be a good mayor."

Still, audiences can be forgiven for thinking dumb. For six seasons, Ewanuick played one of the most memorable Canadian TV idiots — Corner Gas' lovable schlub Hank. It's a character that's hard to shake as you're watching Mayor Dan make bad decision after bad decision.

"He's definitely smarter than Hank. Dan's intentions and his logic are always good. But it's always best when he doesn't try so hard to do the right thing."

Fans of Dan For Mayor might be wondering where the comedy will go this season. Afterall, the show is called Dan For Mayor. What's he going to do now that the election is over and he's mayor?

"It's a little different this year. There's not that continuing kind of soap opera plotline. The episodes are self-contained. We also lost a few cast members to other jobs. But there's some great new ones."

Ewanuick says he's still adjusting to being the star of Dan For Mayor, which is shot in Toronto, Hamilton and the Kitchener/Waterloo area.

"On Corner Gas, I'd work three or four days a week with very few full days. I'd golf the rest of the time," he says. "So I brought my clubs with me to Toronto, but ended up working all day, every day. Which I prefer actually."

As for the actor's own political aspirations — Ewanuick doesn't see it in his future.

"Who's going to vote for me?" he laughs. "I wouldn't vote for me. Though there are days I'd like to take a shot at Prime Minister."

The second season of Dan For Mayor premieres June 5th at 7:30 (ET) on CTV.

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X-factors plague Cole as show removes her

Former Pussycat Dolls singer, Scherzinger, rumoured to be a replacement

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▶ Cheryl Cole

British star Cheryl Cole is reportedly no longer a part of the U.S. edition of X Factor, Simon Cowell's new singing competition, which is set to premiere in September. While Cole has been a hit on the original U.K. version of the show, there were concerns her accent would be too difficult for American audiences to understand, according to TMZ.

There are reportedly other issues as well, including a "lack of chemistry" with fellow judge Paula Abdul. The change of heart regarding Cole apparently came after taping of the show's audition rounds began in Los Angeles. While there's been no official word on who will replace Cole at the judges table — where Cowell, Abdul and producer L.A. Reid sit — sources claim former Pussycat Dolls singer Nicole Scherzinger, the show's co-host, would step into the role.

While reps for Fox have yet to comment on the story, a source close to Cole tells Us Weekly it's done.

"It's true. She isn't on the show anymore. Everyone is gob smacked. This came out of nowhere. She had already been tested countless times. Simon had nothing to do with it. This is the network's doing." METRO

Talking points

Love sick of hosting the celeb rehab

LIKE KNOWS LIKE. Despite her experience with substance abuse, Courtney Love is sick of younger celebrities coming to her for help.

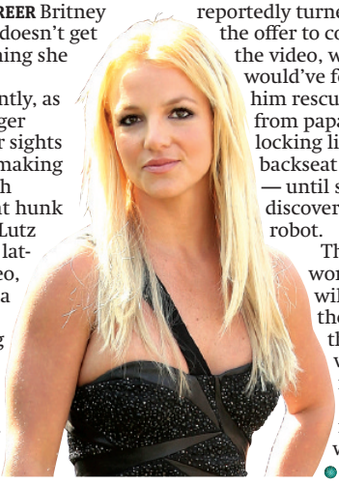
"Lindsay Lohan called me after she was arrested," Love tells the Fix. "For some reason, Kim Stewart also called me when Paris Hilton got pulled over for her last DUI. I'm not even that friendly with these girls. What am I, a junkie Auntie Mame?" METRO

Twilight star rebuffs Spears' advances

MAYBE IT'S BECAUSE SHE IS IN THE TWILIGHT OF HER CAREER Britney Spears doesn't get everything she wants, apparently, as the singer had her sights set on making out with Twilight hunk Kellan Lutz for her latest video, I Wanna Go, according to E! Online.

But Lutz reportedly turned down the offer to co-star in the video, which would've featured him rescuing her from paparazzi and locking lips in the backseat of a car — until she discovers he's a robot.

There's no word on who will take on the role, though the video reportedly shoots next week. METRO



Celebrity tweets

@RealGilbert
"Now that I've apologized for the dinosaur jokes, can I get my job back as a tour guide in Jurassic Park?"

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If you're over 30, you probably await the arrival of new coolers with the same enthusiasm you reserve for the release of a Britney Spears album.

Influenced by popular flavours of the moment, their sweet personalities are aimed at a younger crowd.

That said, some producers woo a mature crowd with ready-to-drink combos that are as subtle as they are sophisticated. Of this year's cooler crop, Bassano Hard Sodas may be summer's cross-generational drink.

Modelled after the Italian sodas made popular in North American speakeasies during the Roaring '20s, Bassano blends vodka with sparkling water and natural fruit flavours to create a dry, lightly effervescent, wine-esque beverage.

In fact, both the raspberry jelly candy flavour of the Bassano Hard Soda Raspberry Pomelo (4 x 330 ml, $8.98 - $11.69) and the 7-up sensibility of the Bassano Hard Soda Lemon Sanguinelli (4 x 330 ml, $8.98 - $11.69) beg to be served over ice from a large wine glass.

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When you fire up the grill this weekend, consider making your own barbecue sauces and meat rubs

Grilling condiments galore

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Making your own grilling rubs and barbecue sauces offers unique flavour options.

Grilling season is here and spice rubs and barbecue sauces are easy ways to pump up the flavour. Grocers offer a huge selection of rubs and sauces intended for steak, chicken, pork, seafood, even veggies.

But consider saving money and making your own. They are easy to assemble and you can better cater to your tastes.

Seven Pepper Grilling Rub

While this rub is wonderful on steak, also try it tossed with chunks of zucchini and summer squash, skewered shrimp and chicken breasts.

Preparation:

1. In a blender or spice grinder, or with a mortar and pestle, grind all ingredients together. Store in sealed jar.

Ingredients:

- 50 ml (1/4 cup) kosher salt
- 45 ml (3 tbsp) brown sugar
- 10 ml (2 tsp) ancho pepper powder
- 2 ml (1/2 tsp) red pepper flakes
- 2 ml (1/2 tsp) cayenne pepper
- 5 ml (1 tsp) ground black pepper
- 5 ml (1 tsp) ground white pepper
- 5 ml (1 tsp) pink peppercorns
- 5 ml (1 tsp) sweet paprika
- 5 ml (1 tsp) smoked paprika

Maple Apple Bourbon Barbecue Sauce

Tangy or mellow, spicy or mild, barbecue sauce is the icing on the steak — or ribs, or whatever else it is you happen to throw on the grill. Next time you're craving barbecue sauce, try this thick maple-based sauce.

It's a good choice for basting on grilled meats toward the end of cooking.

Preparation:

1. In a medium saucepan over medium-high, heat oil. Add onion, garlic and apples. Cook until onion is a golden brown and apples are quite soft, about 10 minutes.

2. Add all remaining ingredients, then return to a simmer. Reduce temperature to medium, cover and continue to cook, stirring often, for 30 minutes. Adjust salt and pepper. Transfer to a blender, in batches if necessary, then puree until smooth. Cool, then refrigerate in sealed glass jars for 2 weeks.

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Ingredients:

- 15 ml (1 tbsp) vegetable oil
- 1 medium yellow onion, diced
- 1 clove garlic, minced
- 2 apples, peeled, cored and diced
- 15 ml (1 tbsp) grated fresh ginger
- 125 ml (1/2 cup) maple syrup
- 125 ml (1/2 cup) cider vinegar
- 125 ml (1/2 cup) bourbon
- 250 ml (1 cup) chili sauce
- 5 ml (1 tsp) salt
- 2 ml (1/2 tsp) ground black pepper
- 2 ml (1/2 tsp) cinnamon
- 1 ml (1/4 tsp) cayenne

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Grilling tips

Consider these tips when grilling.

- Use clean utensils and plates when removing cooked meats from the grill.
- Keep hot food hot until you are ready to serve.
- Ensure meat is well sealed and that ice water doesn't come in contact with stored meat. This can lead to cross-contaminations.

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Scan this code for more tips from Health Canada for staying healthy during barbecue season.

Salmon burgers in 3 easy steps

Use a food processor to simplify the preparation of this burger Garnish with your favourite toppings

In her latest cookbook, The New Food Processor Bible (Whitecap), Norene Gilletz includes recipes that are great to prepare now that grilling season is finally here. If you don't have a grill, she provides directions for pan-frying these delicious salmon burgers.

Serve the burgers either as a main dish or in a bun topped with lettuce, tomatoes and mayonnaise.

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▶ This recipe produces four burgers.

Ingredients:

- 2 cloves garlic
- 30 ml (2 tbsp) fresh parsley (or 10 ml/2 tsp dried)
- 1/2 medium onion (or 2 green onions), cut in chunks
- 500 g (1 lb) boneless, skinless salmon fillets, cut in chunks (remove any pin bones)
- 30 to 45 ml (2 to 3 tbsp) light mayonnaise
- 5 ml (1 tsp) Dijon mustard (optional)
- Salt and pepper, to taste
- Breadcrumbs (as necessary)

Preparation:

1. Steel blade: Drop garlic, parsley and onion through feed tube of food processor while machine is running; process until minced. Add salmon chunks and process just until minced and slightly pasty, 18 to 20 seconds, scraping down sides of bowl as needed. Add mayo, mustard (if using), salt and pepper; process briefly to combine. If necessary, add breadcrumbs to bind mixture.
2. Shape mix into burgers, oiling your hands slightly for easier handling. Cover and refrigerate for 20 to 30 minutes. (Can be prepared up to 24 hours in advance).
3. Preheat grill. Cook burgers for 4 minutes on first side, until firm, then 4 minutes on second side. (Alternatively, heat 30 ml/2 tbsp olive oil in skillet on medium-high heat. Cook 3 minutes per side, until golden brown. THE CANADIAN PRESS/ THE NEW FOOD PROCESSOR BIBLE

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LeBron ignites Heat with late rally

HEAT	BULLS
83	80

LeBron James, Dwyane Wade and Chris Bosh joined to win a championship. Well, now they have their shot.

James scored 28 points, Wade added 21, and they led a furious rally in the final minutes as the Miami Heat eliminated Derrick Rose and the Chicago Bulls 83-80 Thursday night in Game 5 of the Eastern Conference finals.

James and Wade were simply spectacular down the stretch, each scoring eight points during a game-ending 18-3 run as Miami wiped out a 12-point deficit to win the series.

Now the Heat are headed back to the NBA finals for the first time since 2006, and in a fitting twist, they will be facing the Mavericks. Back then, with Wade leading the way, Miami beat Dallas to capture the championship. This time, it will be James and Dirk Nowitzki going for their first rings.

The Heat will host Game 1 Tuesday night.

Bosh added 20 points and 10 rebounds as the Heat pulled out a dramatic win.

Rose led Chicago with 25 points but hit just 9-of-29 shots. He fouled Wade on a key four-point play and missed a tying free throw with 26.7 seconds left. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Lightning intruding on Bruins' Cup plans

Tampa Bay has never lost in three Game 7s since joining the NHL in 1992

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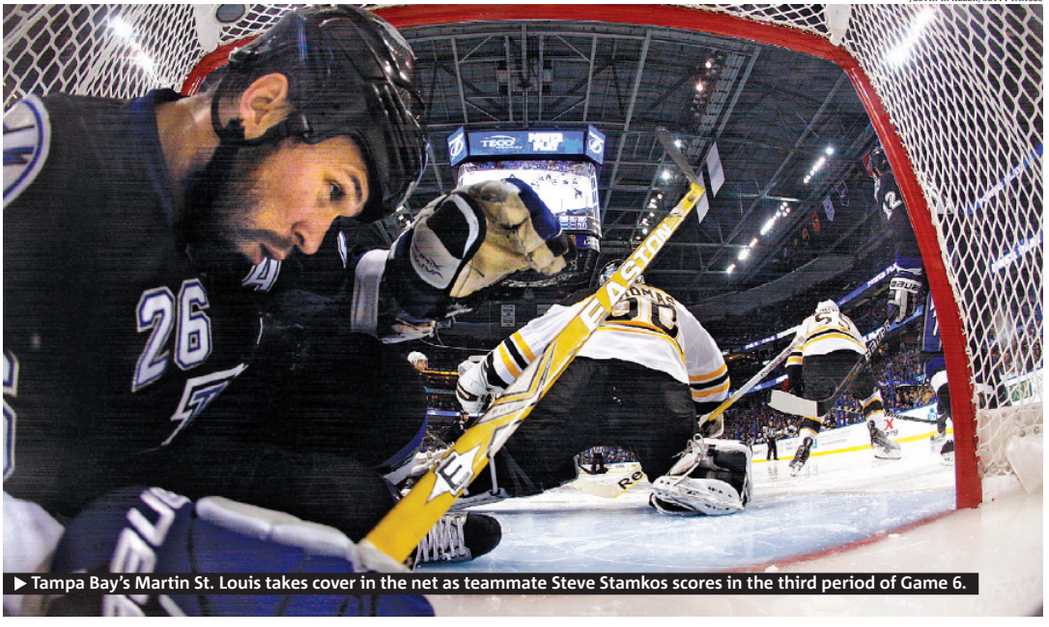

▶ Tampa Bay's Martin St. Louis takes cover in the net as teammate Steve Stamkos scores in the third period of Game 6.

The Boston Bruins thought they excised the spectre of last season's post-season collapse when they finished off the Philadelphia Flyers in the second round this year.

Yet here they are, one round later, trying to turn back another comeback.

The Bruins play the Tampa Bay Lightning in Game 7 of the conference finals Friday night (CBC, 8 p.m.) with the winner moving on to face the Vancouver Canucks for the Stanley Cup. But Boston could have avoided a winner-take-all predicament if it had merely protected a three-goal lead in Game 4; scored more than one power-play goal a week in the playoffs; or kept Tampa Bay from scoring, as often as not, in the first 90 seconds of the game.

BRUINS	LIGHTNING

▶ **Time:** 8 p.m.
Channel: CBC

"We've got a Game 7, it's at home, and we're one game away from the Stanley Cup finals. Why shouldn't we be excited?" coach Claude Julien said Thursday. "Our guys are not discouraged or disappointed. The past is the past. We've got an opportunity to win a hockey game and get into the Stanley Cup finals."

"When it all comes down to one game, I think the pressure is on both teams."
BRUINS FORWARD
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The Bruins spent most of this season trying to forget blowing a 3-0 lead to the Flyers and their demons seem to have returned.

Leading the series 2-1 in Game 4, the Bruins opened up a 3-0 lead before allowing five straight goals in a loss. The Bruins also led 3-2 in the series, with a 2-1 lead after one period of Game 6, before the Lightning came back to win 5-4.

The Bruins can call upon their experience in Game 7 against Montreal in the first round, but Tampa is more familiar with elimination games. The Lightning fell behind the Pittsburgh Penguins 3-1 in the first round before winning three straight to advance. Wednesday's victory over Boston made them 4-0 this season in elimination games and goalie Dwayne Roloson is 7-0 in his career when facing elimination.

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Quoted

"You see people crying when they come up to you just because we're going to the Stanley Cup finals. It's definitely impacting the community in a large way and it's a great feeling."
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Jays. Socked

▶ Toronto's Yunel Escobar forces out Chicago runner Juan Pierre during Thursday night's game.

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Errors cost Jays in ninth

A throwing error by usually sure-handed third baseman John McDonald in the ninth inning led to two unearned runs Thursday as the Chicago White Sox defeated the Toronto Blue Jays 3-1. McDonald's error came on a grounder by former Jay Alex Rios to put a runner at second with none out.

Sporting values under siege

FIELD OF PLAY

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This week's symposium by the University of Toronto's faculty of physical education and health called Game Misconduct: Violence, Abuse and Young Athletes raises a lot of questions about sport and where it's heading these days.

Against a backdrop where professional role models of fun and games are proving themselves to be dopers and cheaters on myriad levels, and where the best and brightest stars are frequently injured, the foundation values of sport are under siege.

Yes, we are watching more sport on TV and consuming it across multi-platforms, but are we engaging in sport on an active level, doing it for the right reasons and in the proper way?

"Physical inactivity causes 50,000 deaths in Canada per year," says Dr. Doug Richards, the team physician for the U of T Varsity Blues and director of the university's sport medicine clinic.

"Sport and physical activity should be healthy. There are risks yes, but sport needs to make games safer. If I have one more parent come to me and tell me their concussed son or daughter is ready to play too soon, I'm going to lose it."

Who is sport for and why should it matter?

Isn't it about honest competition between rivals at the height of their powers and enjoying what famed hockey goaltender Ken Dryden once called the magic of play? Isn't sport supposed to be at least partly about fun and personal growth?

Given the epidemic of corruption and violence in the current sporting environment, there is cause for concern.

"Often these days the magnitude of victory is determined by the extent to which your opponent is incapacitated," says Richards.

Dr. Gretchen Kerr focuses her research on the psychological health of young people and child maltreatment in sport. She also serves as the harassment officer for Gymnastics Canada.

"Why did we banish corporal punishment in schools decades ago but allow it to continue in sport?" says Kerr.

"There is no national and universal regulatory body for coaching. Imagine any other profession that deals with children not having such a body."

Worrisome is the extent to which young and talented athletes in this country are being exploited.

The focus is on high performance, and at an incredibly early age too, and many are being treated as property to be owned and traded.

There is now a high risk of injury in children's sport and the dropout rate of gifted athletes is climbing.

Sport for the sake of sport seems to be struggling to survive.

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NHL

PLAYOFFS

All Times Eastern

CONFERENCE FINALS

(Best-of-7 series)

EASTERN CONFERENCE

BOSTON (3) vs. TAMPA BAY (5)
(Series tied at 3-3)
Wednesday's result
Tampa Bay 5 Boston 4
Tonight's game
Tampa Bay at Boston, 8 p.m.

WESTERN CONFERENCE

VANCOUVER (1) vs. SAN JOSE (2)
(Vancouver wins 4-1)

SCORING LEADERS

	G	A	PT
H.Sedin, Vcr	2	19	21
St. Louis, TB	10	10	20
Lecavalier, TB	6	13	19
Kesler, Vcr	7	11	18
Purcell, TB	6	11	17
J.Thornton, SJ	3	14	17
Krejci, Bos	10	6	16
D.Sedin, Vcr	8	8	16
Horton, Bos	7	9	16
Boyle, SJ	3	13	16
Clowe, SJ	6	9	15
P.Bergeron, Bos	4	11	15
Datsyuk, Det	4	11	15
Burrows, Vcr	7	7	14
Couture, SJ	7	7	14
Downie, TB	2	12	14
Marleau, SJ	8	5	13
Ward, Nash	7	6	13
Stamkos, TB	6	7	13
Marchand, Bos	6	6	12
Gagne, TB	5	7	12
Giroux, Pha	1	11	12
Bergenheim, TB	9	2	11
Ryder, Bos	5	6	11
Kelly, Bos	4	7	11
Moore, TB	3	8	11
Ehrhoff, Vcr	2	9	11
Setoguchi, SJ	7	3	10
Ovechkin, Wash	5	5	10
Pavelski, SJ	5	5	10
Cammalleri, Mtl	3	7	10
Briere, Pha	7	2	9
Legwand, Nash	6	3	9

SOCCER

MLS

Wednesday's results
Colorado 2 New York 2
Dallas 1 Seattle 0
Los Angeles 1 Houston 0
Tomorrow's games
All times Eastern
Philadelphia at Toronto, 12:30 p.m.
New York at Vancouver, 5:30 p.m.
Chivas USA at Columbus, 7:30 p.m.
Los Angeles at New England, 8 p.m.
FC Dallas at Houston, 8:30 p.m.
San Jose at Chicago, 8:30 p.m.
Seattle at Real Salt Lake, 9 p.m.
Kansas City at Colorado, 9 p.m.

NUTRILITE CANADIAN CHAMPIONSHIP

Toronto vs. Vancouver
Second Leg
Yesterday's result
Vancouver at Toronto (ppd., pitch unplayable)

HOCKEY

AHL PLAYOFFS

All times Eastern

CALDER CUP FINAL

(Best-of-7 series)
HOUSTON VS. BINGHAMTON
Tonight's game
Binghamton at Houston, 8:35 p.m.
Tomorrow's game
Binghamton at Houston, 8:35 p.m.
Wednesday, June 1
Houston at Binghamton, 7:05 p.m.
Friday, June 3
Houston at Binghamton, 7:05 p.m.
Saturday, June 4
x-Houston at Binghamton, 7:05 p.m.
Tuesday, June 7
x-Binghamton at Houston, 8:05 p.m.
Thursday, June 9
x-Binghamton at Houston, 8:05 p.m.
x — if necessary.

MEMORIAL CUP

At Mississauga, Ont.
All times Eastern
Last night's result
TIEBREAKER
Kootenay 7 Owen Sound 3
Wednesday's result
ROUND ROBIN
Mississauga 3 Owen Sound 1
Tonight's game
SEMI-FINAL
Mississauga vs. Kootenay, 7 p.m.
Sunday's game
CHAMPIONSHIP
Saint John vs. Semifinal Winner, 7 p.m.

ICE 7, ATTACK 3

First Period
1. Owen Sound, Brace 1 (Halmo, Shaw) 7:12
2. Owen Sound, Maidens 1 (Blacker, Fritsch) 18:45
Penalties — Blacker OS (slashing) 13:46, Mignardi OS (tripping) 14:19, Antilla Ktn Shaw OS (roughing) 17:04.
Second Period
3. Kootenay, Benoit 1 (Antilla, Dirk) 7:48
4. Kootenay, Antilla 1 (Eakin) 8:01 (sh)
5. Kootenay, Fraser 3 (McNabb, Reinhart) 11:14 (pp)
Penalties — Ismond Ktn (hooking) 1:01, Halmo OS (kneeing) 5:24, Hurley Ktn (hooking) 7:52, Cutting OS (hooking) 10:30, Berdnikov OS (hooking) 17:53, Shaw OS (slashing) 19:37.
Third Period
6. Kootenay, Fraser 4 (Czerwonka) 1:13 (pp)
7. Kootenay, Eakin 2 (King) 3:24
8. Kootenay, Reinhart 1 (Fraser) 4:59 (sh)
9. Owen Sound, Halmo 1 (Shaw, Pergrave) 5:37 (pp)
10. Kootenay, Eakin 3 (King, Leach) 17:28 (en)
Penalties — King Ktn (tripping) 4:47, Halmo OS (misconduct), Shaw OS (boarding) 6:31, Reinhart Ktn (boarding) 6:55, Rintoul Ktn (tripping) 13:46.
Shots

Kootenay	7	15	13	—35
Owen Sound	10	8	9	—27

Goal (shots-saves) — Kootenay: Lieuwen (W,2-2); Owen Sound: Stajcer (L,0-1; 25-31), Binnington (4:59 third; 3-3). **Power plays (goals-chances)** — Kootenay: 2-7; Owen Sound: 1-5. **Att.** — 4,916 (6,000) at Mississauga, Ont.

SCORING LEADERS

	G	A	PT
Shaw, OS	2	5	7
M.Reinhart, Ktn	1	5	6
Fraser, Ktn	4	1	5
Jurco, SJn	4	1	5
Eakin, Ktn	3	2	5
Halmo, OS	1	4	5
Huberdeau, SJn	2	2	4
King, Ktn	1	3	4
Kirkpatrick, SJn	1	3	4
Smith-Pelly, Miss	1	3	4
Mignardi, OS	2	1	3
Flick, Miss	2	1	3
Beaulieu, SJn	1	2	3
Czerwonka, Ktn	1	2	3
Galiev, SJn	1	2	3
Petgrave, OS	1	2	3
McNabb, Ktn	0	3	3
Percy, Miss	0	3	3

MLB

WHITE SOX 3, BLUE JAYS 1

Chicago	ab	r	h	bi	Toronto	ab	r	h	bi
Pierre lf	4	0	2	2	YEscor ss	4	1	1	1
AlRmrz ss	4	0	2	0	CPttrsn lf	4	0	2	0
Quentin rf	4	0	0	0	Bautist rf	3	0	1	0
Lillirdg rf	0	0	0	0	JRiver 1b	4	0	1	0
Konerk dh	4	0	0	0	Arencii c	3	0	0	0
A.Dunn 1b	4	0	0	0	A.Hill 2b	3	0	0	0
McPhrs 1b	0	0	0	0	EThms dh	4	0	1	0
Rios cf	4	1	0	0	RDavis cf	4	0	0	0
Przyns c	4	1	2	0	JMcDnl 3b	3	0	0	0
Vizquel 3b	4	0	1	0					
Bckhm 2b	3	1	0	0					
Totals	**35**	**3**	**7**	**2**	**Totals**		**32**	**1**	**6**	**1**

Chicago	000	010	002	3
Toronto	000	001	000	1

E—Humber (1), Jo.McDonald (1), J.Rivera (1). LOB—Chicago 9, Toronto 7. 2B—Al.Ramirez 2 (12). HR—Y.Escobar (5). SB—Pierre (8), Beckham (2), C.Patterson (7). CS—C.Patterson (5).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Chicago						
Humber	7 2-3	6	1	1	1	3
Crain W,2-1	1-3	0	0	0	1	0
S.Santos S,8-9	1	0	0	0	1	2
Toronto						
Morrow	7	4	1	1	2	5
Frasor	2-3	1	0	0	0	0
Rzepczynski L,2-1	1	2	2	0	0	3
Rauch	1-3	0	0	0	0	0

HBP—by Morrow (Quentin), by Rzepczynski (Beckham). WP—Humber, Rzepczynski. T—2:54. A—14,353 (49,260) at Toronto.

BLUE JAYS STATISTICS

BATTERS	AB	R	H	HR	RBI	AVG
Bautista	146	39	50	19	32	.342
Lind	128	19	40	7	27	.313
Thames	20	4	6	0	4	.300
Molina	54	9	16	1	5	.296
Escobar	176	26	50	4	15	.284
Patterson	156	21	42	2	20	.269
Davis	120	16	32	0	7	.267
Arencibia	132	14	33	8	24	.250
Hill	128	12	32	0	17	.250
Encarnacion	139	12	33	0	9	.237
Rivera	153	15	36	4	14	.235
McDonald	102	13	20	2	11	.196
Nix	62	7	11	2	6	.177

PITCHERS	W	L	SV	IP	SO	ERA
Villanueva	2	0	0	29.1	26	1.53
Janssen	1	0	0	20.1	15	1.77
Frasor	1	1	0	19.2	20	1.83
Camp	0	1	0	23.2	12	1.90
Romero	4	4	0	65.0	61	2.91
Rzepczynski	2	0	0	21.0	18	3.00
Rauch	2	2	5	19.1	12	4.19
Drabek	3	3	0	56.0	38	4.34
Litsch	4	3	0	46.1	36	4.66
Reyes	0	4	0	51.2	37	4.70
Morrow	2	2	0	32.0	43	5.06
Dotel	1	1	1	12.1	17	5.84
Perez	0	0	0	7.2	6	5.87
Francisco	1	2	5	13.0	15	6.23

Last night's game not included

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EAST DIVISION

	W	L	Pct	GB
New York	27	21	.563	—
Boston	28	22	.560	—
Tampa Bay	26	23	.531	1½
Baltimore	24	24	.500	3
Toronto	24	26	.480	4

CENTRAL DIVISION

	W	L	Pct	GB
Cleveland	30	17	.638	—
Detroit	25	24	.510	6
Chicago	24	28	.462	8½
Kansas City	22	27	.449	9
Minnesota	16	32	.333	14½

WEST DIVISION

	W	L	Pct	GB
Texas	26	24	.520	—
Los Angeles	26	26	.500	1
Seattle	24	25	.490	1½
Oakland	24	27	.471	2½

Yesterday's results
Chicago White Sox 3 Toronto 1
Baltimore 6 Kansas City 5 (12 inn.)
Oakland 4 L.A. Angels 3
Boston 14 Detroit 1 (8 inn.)
Wednesday's results
N.Y. Yankees 7 Toronto 3
Texas 2 Chicago White Sox 1
Baltimore 9 Kansas City 2
L.A. Angels 4 Oakland 1
Boston 14 Cleveland 2
Seattle 3 Minnesota 0
Tampa Bay at Detroit, ppd., rain
Tonight's games
All times Eastern
Boston (Wakefield 1-1) at Detroit (Porcello 4-2), 7:05 p.m.
Chicago White Sox (Buehrle 4-3) at Toronto (Drabek 3-3), 7:07 p.m.
Cleveland (Tomlin 6-1) at Tampa Bay (Price 5-4), 7:10 p.m.
Kansas City (Adcock 1-0) at Texas (C.Lewis 4-5), 8:05 p.m.
L.A. Angels (Chatwood 3-2) at Minnesota (S.Baker 2-3), 8:10 p.m.
Baltimore (Tillman 2-3) at Oakland (G.Gonzalez 5-2), 10:05 p.m.
N.Y. Yankees (A.J.Burnett 5-3) at Seattle (Pineda 6-2), 10:10 p.m.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

EAST DIVISION

	W	L	Pct	GB
Philadelphia	31	19	.620	—
Florida	29	19	.604	1
Atlanta	28	23	.549	3½
New York	23	26	.469	7½
Washington	21	28	.429	9½

CENTRAL DIVISION

	W	L	Pct	GB
St. Louis	30	21	.588	—
Milwaukee	27	23	.540	2½
Cincinnati	26	25	.510	4
Chicago	22	26	.458	6½
Pittsburgh	22	26	.458	6½
Houston	19	31	.380	10½

WEST DIVISION

	W	L	Pct	GB
San Francisco	27	22	.551	—
Arizona	26	24	.520	1½
Colorado	24	25	.490	3
Los Angeles	22	29	.431	6
San Diego	20	30	.400	7½

Yesterday's results
Philadelphia 10 Cincinnati 4
Chicago Cubs 9 N.Y. Mets 3
Florida 1 San Francisco 0
Arizona 6 Colorado 3
Wednesday's results
Houston 2 L.A. Dodgers 1
San Diego 3 St. Louis 1
Arizona 2 Colorado 1
Philadelphia 5 Cincinnati 4 (19 inn.)
Atlanta 4 Pittsburgh 2 (11 inn.)
Milwaukee 6 Washington 4
N.Y. Mets 7 Chicago Cubs 4 (7 inn.)
Florida 7 San Francisco 6 (12 inn.)
Today's games
All times Eastern
Pittsburgh (Correia 6-4) at Chicago Cubs (D.Davis 0-2), 2:20 p.m.
San Diego (Richard 2-5) at Washington (Lannan 2-5), 7:05 p.m.
Philadelphia (Oswalt 3-2) at N.Y. Mets (Capuano 3-5), 7:10 p.m.
Cincinnati (Leake 3-2) at Atlanta (Hanson 5-3), 7:35 p.m.
Arizona (D.Hudson 5-5) at Houston (Myers 1-4), 8:05 p.m.
San Francisco (Lincecum 4-4) at Milwaukee (Marcum 6-1), 8:10 p.m.
St. Louis (Westbrook 4-3) at Colorado (Jimenez 0-4), 8:40 p.m.
Florida (Vazquez 3-4) at L.A. Dodgers (Garland 1-4), 10:10 p.m.

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Stage 18
1. Eros Capecchi, Italy, Liquicas, 3 hr, 20 min, 38 sec; 2. Marco Pinotto, Italy, HTC-Highroad, same time; 3. Kevin Seeldrayers, Belgium, Quickstep, s.t.; 4. Gianluca Brambilla, Italy, Colnago, 1 min., 20 sec beh.; 5. Paolo Tiralongo, Italy, Astana, s.t.; 6. Dario Cataldo, Italy, Quickstep, 2:49; 7. Alberto Losado, Spain, Katusha, 3:46; 8. Russel Downing, Brit., Sky, 4:34
Overall Standings
(After 18 of 21 stages)
1. Alberto Contador, Spain, Saxo Bank, 71 hr, 45 min, 9 sec; 2. Michele Scarponi, Italy, Lampre, 4:58; 3. Vincenzo Nibali, Italy, Liquigas, 5:45; 4. John Gadret, France, AG2R, 7:35; 5. Kanstantsin Sivtsov, Belarus, HTC-High Road, 9:12; 6. Jose Rujano, Venez., Androni, 9:18; 7. Mikel Nieve Ituralde, Spain, Euskaltel, 9:22; 8. Denis Menchov, Russia, Geox, 9:38; 9. Roman Kreuziger, Czech Republic, Astana, 9:47; 10. Joaquin Rodriguez, Spain, Katusha, 10:25.

NBA

PLAYOFFS

All times Eastern

CONFERENCE FINALS

(Best-of-7 series)
EASTERN CONFERENCE
Chicago (1) vs. Miami (2)
(Miami wins 4-1)
Last night's game
Miami 83 Chicago 80
WESTERN CONFERENCE
Dallas (3) vs. Oklahoma City (4)
(Dallas wins 4-1)
Wednesday's result
Dallas 100 Oklahoma City 96

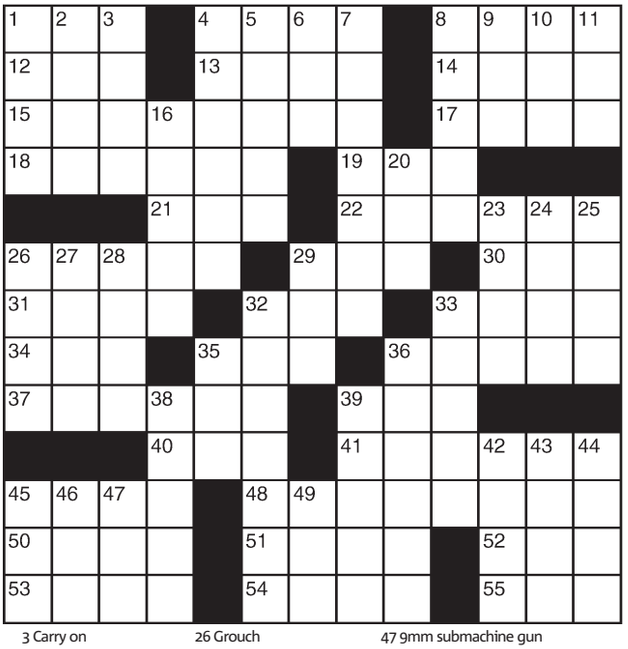
TENNIS

ATP-WTA

FRENCH OPEN

At Paris
Men's Singles — Second Round
Rafael Nadal (1), Spain, def. Pablo Andujar, Spain, 7-5, 6-3, 7-6 (4).
Andy Murray (4), Britain, def. Simone Bolelli, Italy, 7-6 (3), 6-4, 7-5.
Robin Soderling (5), Sweden, def. Albert Ramos, Spain, 6-3, 6-4, 6-4.
Michael Berrer, Germany, def. Arnaud Clement, France, 7-6 (6), 3-6, 7-5, 6-4.
Lukas Rosol, Czech Rep., def. Jurgen Melzer (8), Austria, 6-7 (4), 6-4, 4-6, 7-6 (3), 6-4.
Mardy Fish (10), U.S., def. Robin Haase, Netherlands, 7-6 (1), 6-2, 6-1.
Viktor Troicki (15), Serbia, def. Tobias Kamke, Germany, 6-2, 6-2, 7-6 (4).
Fernando Verdasco (16), Spain, def. Xavier Malisse, Belgium, 4-6, 6-3, 7-6 (5), 6-1.
Gilles Simon (18), France, def. Jeremy Chardy, France, 4-6, 6-4, 6-1, 6-4.
Alejandro Falla, Colombia, def. Florian Mayer (20), Germany, 4-6, 7-6 (4), 6-1, 6-2.
Alexandr Dolgopolov (21), Ukraine, def. Andreas Haider-Maurer, Austria, 6-2, 6-4, 6-2.
Ivan Ljubicic, Croatia, def. Sam Querrey (24), U.S., 7-6 (2), 6-4, 6-4.
Leonardo Mayer, Argentina, def. Marcos Baghdatis (27), Cyprus, 7-5, 6-4, 7-6 (6).
Antonio Veic, Croatia, def. Nikolay Davydenko (28), Russia, 3-6, 6-2, 7-5, 3-6, 6-1.
Juan Ignacio Chela, Argentina, def. Kevin Anderson (32), S. Africa, 3-6, 6-3, 6-4, 4-6, 6-2.
Lukasz Kubot, Poland, def. Carlos Berlocq, Argentina, 6-3, 7-6 (4), 6-3.
Men's Doubles — First Round
Max Mirnyi, Belarus, and **Daniel Nestor (2), Toronto,** def. Gael Monfils and Josselin Ouanna, France, 7-6 (6), 6-3.
Women's Singles — Second Round
Arantxa Rus, Netherlands, def. Kim Clijsters (2), Belgium, 3-6, 7-5, 6-1.
Victoria Azarenka (4), Belarus, def. Pauline Parmentier, France, 6-0, 6-1.
Li Na (6), China, def. Silvia Soler-Espinosa, Spain, 6-4, 7-5.
Maria Sharapova (7), Russia, def. Caroline Garcia, France, 3-6, 6-4, 6-0.
Petra Kvitova (9), Czech Republic, def. Zheng Jie, China, 6-4, 6-1.
Agnieszka Radwanska (12), Poland, def. Sania Mirza, India, 6-2, 6-4.
Andrea Petkovic (15), Germany, def. Lucie Hradecka, Czech Republic, 7-6 (2), 6-2.
Kaia Kanepi (16), Estonia, def. Heather Watson, Britain, 6-1, 6-3.
Yanina Wickmayer (21), Belgium, def. Ayumi Morita, Japan, 6-4, 7-5.
Jarmila Gajdosova (24), Australia, def. Anabel Medina Garrigues, Spain, 7-6 (4), 6-4.
Maria Kirilenko (25), Russia, def. Chanelle Scheepers, South Africa, 6-1, 6-4.
Sorana Cirstea, Romania, def. Alexandra Dulgheru (27), Romania, 6-2, 7-5.
Roberta Vinci (30), Italy, def. Iryna Bremond, France, 6-3, 6-4.
Chan Yung-jan, Taiwan, def. Jill Craybas, U.S., 6-1, 6-4.
Vania King, U.S., def. Elena Baltacha, Britain, 4-6, 6-1, 6-4.
Ekaterina Makarova, Russia, def. Johanna Larsson, Sweden, 6-3, 7-6 (5).

Crossword



Across

1 Intimidate
4 Support
8 Harbor structure
12 Altar constellation
13 Ladd or Alda
14 Desire
15 Violin virtuoso Niccolo
17 Cash-drawer contents
18 Solemn promise
19 Youngster
21 Dress in
22 Sesame paste
26 Internet-related
29 Apiece
30 Cacoph-ony
31 Clarinet insert
32 Chum
33 Daniel Craig role
34 — glance
35 Matterhorn, for one
36 Pass along
37 One of the Marshall Islands
39 Stimpy's cartoon partner
40 Morsel
41 Stay away from
45 Needle case
48 Summer squash
50 Bronx cheer
51 Birthright barterer
52 Banned bug spray
53 Diva's solo
54 Scruff
55 Curvaceous character?

Down

1 Dogpatch creator
2 Exam format
3 Carry on
4 Maine city mentioned in "King of the Road"
5 Extraterrestrial
6 Paint container
7 Plied needles
8 "— the Raven, ..."
9 Coffee vessel
10 Time of your life?
11 "Of course"
16 Put in
20 Scull prop
23 "American —"
24 1492 ship
25 Race place
26 Grouch
27 Bigfoot's cousin
28 Neb
29 Young seal
32 One of Santa's team
33 Dugout furniture
35 Blackbird
36 Save
38 Resort island near Majorca
39 Summarize
42 Stash
43 Tackles' teammates
44 Mental acuity
45 Mesozoic, e.g.
46 Pitch
47 9mm submachine gun
49 Cable channel

▶ Yesterday's answer

A	C	H	E		B	O	P	S		F	D	A	
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A	W	L		R	O	A	D		L	E	S	T	

Sudoku

				6		7		
9	2						6	
	6	7	5			3		
		1	4			8	7	
			3		8			
	4	9			2	5		
		4			1	2	8	
	3						5	9
		8		7				

How to play

Fill in the grid, so that every row, every column and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1-9. There is no math involved. You solve the puzzle with reasoning and logic.

Yesterday's answer ▶

6	9	2	8	5	7	4	1	3
1	3	5	2	6	4	7	8	9
7	8	4	3	9	1	5	2	6
2	7	3	6	1	8	9	4	5
4	1	8	9	7	5	3	6	2
9	5	6	4	3	2	8	7	1
8	2	1	5	4	3	6	9	7
3	4	9	7	2	6	1	5	8
5	6	7	1	8	9	2	3	4

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♈ Aries March 21-April 20 If you are under pressure at the moment, by all means take a break.

♉ Taurus April 21-May 21 If you find yourself losing interest in what you are doing, that's a sure sign you are doing the wrong thing.

♊ Gemini May 22-June 21 Too often you give the impression of emotional toughness when you really need a shoulder to cry on.

♋ Cancer June 22-July 22 If there is something worrying you that's causing you sleepless nights, now is the time to confront it.

♌ Leo July 23-Aug.23 Get out there and have a good time with your friends. If you are looking for love, you'll find it.

♍ Virgo Aug. 24- Sept. 22 There are all sorts of options open to you now. Don't be too eager. Take your time and make the right choice.

♎ Libra Sept. 23-Oct. 23 Decide what it is that you most want to experience and start doing the things you need to do to make it happen.

♏ Scorpio Oct. 24-Nov. 22 If you've had some sort of dispute, now is the time to patch things up.

♐ Sagittarius Nov. 23-Dec. 21 Take a few chances today and take your pleasures where you find them. Deal with life as it comes.

♑ Capricorn Dec. 22-Jan. 20 Work hard, but only on things you enjoy. Take life easy right now.

♒ Aquarius Jan. 21-Feb. 18 Certain things will come easier to you over the next three days than they have in several weeks.

♓ Pisces Feb. 19-March 20. Stand back from the world and allow important things to come into focus. **SALLY BROMPTON**

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